



Anno xxxj. REGINÆ
ELIZABETHÆ.

At a Sesion of Par-

liament holden at Westminster the
*fourth day of Februarie, in the one and
thirtieth yeere of the Reigne of our most gra-
tious Soueraigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace
of God of England, Fraunce and Ireland
Queene, defender of the faith, &c.*

And there continued vntill the
dissolution thereof, being
the xxix. of March:

**To the high pleasure of Almighty God,
and the weale publique of this
Realme, were enacted
as followeth.**

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to the Queenes most excellent Maiestie.

1589.



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✿ An acte against discon-
tinuances of writtes of Error in the
Court of Eschequer and
Kings Bench.

The first Chapter.



Whereas by an estatute made in the xxxi. yeere of the raigne of king Edward the thirde, it is enacted that vpon complaint concerning error made in the Exchequer touching the King or other persons, the Lorde Chauncelour, and Lorde Treasurer shall doe to come befoze them in any Chamber of Counsell nigh the Exchequer, the recorde and processe of the Exchequer, and taking to them such Iustices and other sage persons, as to them shal be thought meete, shall heare and determine such errors as by the saide estatute more at large appeareth: And whereas those two being great officers of the Realme, are employed (not onely in their seuerall offices and places of Justice else where) but also for the other waightie affayres of the Realme in Counsell attendant on the Queenes Maiesties person and otherwise, they be many times vpon sudden warning called away in such wise, as they both many times, and sometimes neither of them can be present in the Exchequer at their day of adiournement in such suite of error, And then by not comming of them at the day of adiournement euery such writte of error depending, is by the Lawes of the Realme discontinued, And the partie can not proceede, but must beginne his suite of newe to the great losse of the partie and hinderance of Justice. For remedie whereof, Be it ordeined and enacted by authoritie of this present Parliament, that the not comming of the Lord Chauncelour, and Lorde Treasurer, or of either of them at the day of adiournement in any such suite of Error, depending by vertue of the saide former estatute, shall not bee any discontinuance of
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any such writte of Error. But if both the chiefe Justices of either Bench, or any one of the said great officers, the Lord Chancellor, or Lord Treasurer, shall come to the Exchequer Chamber, and there bee present at the day of adiournement in such suite of Error, it shall bee no discontinuance, but the suite shall proceede in Lawe to all intentes and purposes, as if both the Lord Chauncelor and Lord Treasurer had comen and bene present at the day and place of adiournement. Prouided alwayes, that no Judgement shall be giuen in any such suite or writte of Error, vnlesse both the Lorde Chauncelor and Lorde Treasurer shalbe present thereat.

And whereas in the Parliament holden in the xxvii. yeere of the raigne of our most gracious soueraigne Lady the Queenes Maiestie, our acte or statute was made, intituled, An acte for redresse of erroneous Judgements in the Court commonly called the Kings Bench: By which it is amongst other things enacted, That where any Judgement shal at any time then after bee giuen in the said Court of Kings Bench, in any suite or action of debt, detinue, couenant, accompt, action vpon the case, eiection firme, or trespasse first commenced, or to be first commenced there, other then such onely where the Queenes Maiestie shall be partie: The partie plaintife or defendant against whome any such Judgement shall be giuen, may at his election sue forth out of the Court of Chauncerie, a speciall writte of Error to be deuised in the said Court of Chauncerie, directed to the chiefe Justice of the saide Court of Kings Bench for the time being, commaunding him to cause the said record, and all things concerning the said Judgement, to be brought before the Justices of the common Bench, and the Barons of the Exchequer into the Exchequer Chamber, there to be examined by the saide Justices of the Common Bench and Barons aforesaid. which said Justices of the Common Bench, and such Barons of the Exchequer as are of the degree of the Coyfe, or sixe of them at the least, by vertue of the same acte, shall thereupon haue full power and authoritie to examine all such errors as shall be assigned or founde in or vpon any such iudgement, And thereupon to reuerse or affirme the saide Judgement as the Lawe shall require, other then for Errors to bee assigned or found for or concerning the iurisdiction of the saide Court of Kings Bench, or for any want of forme in any writte, returne, plaint, bill, declaration, or other pleading, processe, verdict, or proceeding whatsoever.

Forasmuch as it doth many times fall out, that the full number of the said Justices of the Common Bench, & Barons of the Exchequer so authorized by the said statute, sometimes for want of health, sometimes through other waightie seruices, and earnest occasions

occasions cannot be present at the dayes & times of the returnes and continuances of the same writtes of Error: And by reason of their absence and not coming, the saide writtes of Error are discontinued, Justice delayed, and the parties put to beginne newe suite, to their great charges and prejudice: for remedie thereof, be it also enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that from hencefoorth, if the full number of the Justices and Barons authorized by the saide acte, come not at the day or time of returne, or continuance of any such writte of Error, That it shall be lawfull for any thre of the saide Justices and Barons, at every of the saide dayes and times, to receive writtes of Error, to awarde Prozesse thereupon, to make and prescribe dayes from time to time, of and for the continuance of all such writtes of Error as shalbe there returned, certified or depending. And that the same shall bee to these respects as good and availeable, as if all the Justices and Barons authorized by the same acte, were present. And that the Justices and Barons authorized by the saide statute, may after that lawfully proceede in all those cases in such sort to all intents, as they may doe in other cases mentioned in the saide statute, any not coming of any the saide Justices or Barons notwithstanding.

Provided neuerthelesse, that no Judgement shall be given in any such suite or Error, vnlesse it be by such full number of the saide Justices and Barons, as are in that behalfe authorized and appointed by the saide Acte.

Provided also and bee it neuerthelesse enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that the partie plaintife or defendant, against whome any such Judgement hath bene heretofore, or hereafter shall be given in the sayde Court of Kings Bench, may at his election sue in the high Court of Parliament, for the reversal of any such Judgement as heretofore hath bene vsuall or accustomed, any thing in this statute, or in the said former acte to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

An Act for abridging of proclamations vpon fines to be leuied at the common lawe.

The second Chapter.



Whereas the Statute made in the fourth yeere of King Henry the seventh hath ordeined, that euery fine to bee leuied with proclamations in the Kings Court, afore his Iustices of the common plesses, shoulde be proclaimed in the same Court that terme, in which it is engrossed, and in three termes then next folowing at foure seuerall daies in euery Terme: By reason whereof they ought to be proclaimed foure times in euery of the foure seuerall Termes, And that during the time of proclaiming of such fines, al plesses shoulde cease, which to doe according to the saide Statute, (considering the multitude of fines nowe vsually leuied) woulde require sixteene dayes in euery Terme: And by reason of the many causes and suites in that Court, is a farre greater trouble, then heretofore hath berne, so as scarcely one day in euery Terme can be spared for the proclaiming of fines: Be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that all fines with proclamations, from and after the feast of Easter next ensuing, to bee leuied in the said Court, shall be proclaimed onely foure times, that is to say, once in the Terme wherein it is engrossed, and once in euery of the three Termes holden next after the same engrossing. And that euery fine proclaimed as aforesaid, shall be of as great force and effect in lawe to all intents and purposes, as if the same had bene sixteene times proclaimed, according to the Statutes heretofore made.

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✿ An Acte for the auoi- ding of priuie and secret outlawries of her Maiesties subiects.

The third Chapter.



Or the auoiding of secret Outlawries in actions personall against the Queenes subiectes, hauing knowen places of their dwellings, by reason that proclamations are made in the Countie Courts, and in quarter Sessions, which are places remote from their dwellings, and thereby they haue not any conuenient notice of such sutes against them: Be it enacted and ordeyned by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that in euery action personal, wherein any writ of Exigent shalbe awarded out of any Court in or after the Terme of Easter next comming, one writ of proclamation shalbe awarded and made out of the same court, hauing day of teste and returne, as the said writ of exigent shall haue directed and deliuered of record to the Shirisfe of the Countie where the defendant at the time of the exigent so awarded shall be dwelling, which writ of proclamation shal containe the effect of the same action, and that the Shirisfe of the Countie vnto whom any such writ of proclamation shall be directed, shall make three proclamations in this forme solowing and not otherwise: that is to say, one of the same proclamations in the open Countie Court, and one other of the same proclamations to be made at the generall quarter Sessions of the peace in those partes where y^e partie defendant at the time of the exigent awarded shall be dwelling, and one other of the same proclamations to be made one moneth at the least before the quint. exact, by vertue of the saide writte of exigent, at or neere to the most vsuall doore of the Church or Chappell of that Towne or Parish where the defendant shall be dwelling at the time of the said exigent so awarded, and if the defendant shall be dwelling out of any Parish, then in such place as aforesaide of the Parish in the same Countie, and next adioyning to the place of the defendants dwelling, and vpon a Sunday immediatly af-

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ter diuine Seruice and Sermon, if any Sermon there be, and if no Sermon there be, then forthwith after diuine Seruice. And that all Outlawries had and pronounced after the ende of the next Easter Terme, and no writ of proclamations awarded and returned, according to the forme of this Statute, shall be utterly void and of none effect: and that the officer in whose office such writs of Exigent and proclamations shall be made, shall and may take such fees as by the Statute made in the first yere of the raigne of the late King of famous memorie King Henry the eighth, is limited and appointed in that behalfe, and no greater fees in any wise, and that the Shyrife for making of the proclamation at or neere to the Church or Chappel doore as is aforesaid, shall haue twelue pence. And for the auoiding of secret summones in reall actions without conuenient notice of the tenants of the freeholde, Be it also ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that after euery summons upon the land in any reall action, fourteene dayes at the least before the day of the returne thereof, proclamations of the summones shall be made on a Sunday in forme aforesaid, at or neere to the most vsuall doore of the Churches or Chappel of that Towne or Parish where the land whereupon the summons was made doeth lie, and that proclamation so made as aforesaid, shall be returned together with the names of the summoners, & if such summons shall not be proclaimed and returned, according to the tenor and meaning of this acte, then no ground cape to be awarded, but an alias and plures summons as the cause shall require, untill a summons and proclamation shall be duely made and returned, according to the tenor and meaning of this Acte. And be it further enacted, that before any allowance of any writ of error or reuerling of any Outlawrie be had by plee or otherwise, through or by want of any proclamation to be had or made, according to the forme of this Statute, after the ende of Easter Terme next: the defendant and defendants in the originall action shall put in bayle, not onely to appeare & answer to the plaintife in the former sute in a new action to be commenced by the said plaintife, for the cause mentioned in the first action, but also to satisfie the condemnation, if the plaintife shall beginne his sute before the ende of two Termes next after the allowing the writ of error, or otherwise auoiding of the said Outlawrie.

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¶ An Acte against imbeselling of Armor,
habillements of warre, and victual.

The fourth Chapter.



¶ It enacted by the aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that if any person or persons, hauing at any time hereafter the charge or custodie of any armour, Ordnance, munition, shotte, powder, or habillements of warre, of the Queenes Maiesties, her heires or successors, or of any victuals provided for the victualling of any Souldiers, Gunners, Mariners, or Pioners, shal for any lucre or game, or wittingly, advisedly and of purpose, to hinder or impeache her Maiesties service, imbeasill, purloine or conuey away any the same armour, ordnance, munition, shot or powder, habillements of warre or victuals, to the value of twentie shillings at one or severall times: that then euery such offence shalbe iudged felonie, and the offendor and offendors therein to be tried, proceeded on, and suffer as in case of felonie.

¶ Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that none shalbe impeached for any offence against this statute, vnlesse the same impeachment be prosecuted or begunne within the yeere next after the offence done. And that this Acte, nor any thing therein conteyned, nor any attayndor or attayndors of any person or persons, for any offence made felonie by this acte, shal in any wise extend, or be adiudged, interpreted, or expounded, to make the offendor or offendors to forfeite or loose any lands, tenements, or hereditaments any longer then onely during his or their life or liues, or to make any corruption of blood to any the heire or heires of any such offendor or offendors, or to make the wife of any such offendor to loose or forfeite her dower or title of dower, of or in any lands, tenements, or hereditaments, or her action or interest to the same: any thing in this Act conteined, or any Attaindor or Attaindors hereafter to be had for any offence made felonie by this Act, to the contrary notwithstanding. And that such person or persons as shalbe impeached for any offence made felonie by this estatute, shal by vertue of this Acte, be receiued & admitted to make any lawful prooffe that he can, by lawful witnesse or other wise, for his discharge and defence in that behalfe: any lawe to the contrary notwithstanding.

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¶ An acte concerning Informers.

The fifth Chapter.



Or that diuers of the Queenes Maiesties subjects be dayly vniustly vexed and disquieted by diuers common Informers vpon penall Statutes, notwithstanding any former statute that hath bene heretofore made against their disorders: For remedie thereof, Be it enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that all former statutes made for reformation of disorders of such common Informers, not repealed or altered by this acte, shall be put in due execution. And that no person other then the partie griued, after xx. dayes after the ende of this Session of Parliament, shall be receiued to informe or sue, vpon any penall statute, that before that time hath bene for any misdemeano: by any order of any the Queenes Maiesties Courts, ordered not to followe or pursue any sute vpon any penall statute. And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that in any declaration or Information at any time after xx. dayes after the ende of this Session of Parliament to be had, brought, sued or exhibited, the offence against any penal statute, shall not be layed to be done in any other Countie, but where the contract or other matter alleadged to be the offence, was in trueth done. And that euery defendant in such action or Information, shall and lawfully may traaverse and alleadge, that the offence supposed by the same Sute to bee committed, was not committed in the Countie where such offence is alleadged. Which being tried for the defendant, Or if the Plaintife be thereupon nonsute in his Information or sute, that then the Plaintife shall be barred in that action or Information, any Lawe or vse to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes that this acte, nor any thing herein contained, shall in any wise extende to any such officer of Recorde as haue in respect of their offices heretofore lawfully used to exhibit Informations, or sue vpon penall Lawes, But that they
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and euery of them may insourme and pursue in that behalfe as they might haue done befoze the making of this acte, any thing in this acte to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And prouided also, that this acte nor any thing therein contained, shall extende to the laying or alleadging of any offence in any declaration or Information, for or concerning any Champartie, buying of titles, or extortion, or any offence committed, or to be committed against the statute made in the first yeere of the Queenes Maiesties raigne, intituled, An acte limitting the times for laying on lande marchandize from beyonde the Seas, and touching customes of sweete wines: And one other acte made in the saide first yeere of her Maiesties Raigne, intituled, An acte of a Subsidie of Connage and poundage, or any thing in any of them contained, or for the concealing or defrauding the Queenes Maiestie, her heires or successours of any Custome, Connage, Poundage, Subsidie, Imposse or Priuilege, or for any matter of corrupt Usurie, or for any offence comprised in any Statute made, or to be made against ingrossing, regrating, or forestalling, where the penaltie or forfaiture shall appeare to be to the value of xx. pounde or aboue: But that euery such offence, shall or may be layed in any Countie at the pleasure of any such Informer, Any thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

And bee it further enacted by the authoritie aforesayde, that all Actions, suites, billes, indictements, or informations, which after twentie dayes after the ende of this Session of Parliament shall be had, brought, sued or exhibited, for any forfaiture vpon any Statute penall, made or to be made, whereby the forfaiture is or shall be limited to the Queene, her heires or successours onely, shall be had, brought, sued, or exhibited within two yeeres next after the offence committed, or to be committed against such Acte penall, and not after two yeeres. And that all actions, suites, billes or informations, which after the saide twentie dayes shall be had, brought, sued or commenced, for any forfaiture vpon any penal statute made or to be made, except the statutes of tillage, the benefite and suite whereof is or shall be by the saide Statute, limited to the Queene, her heires or successours, and to any other which shall prosecute in that behalfe, shall be had, brought, sued, or commenced by any person that may lawfully pursue for the same as aforesaid, within one yeere next after the offence committed, or to be committed against the saide statute, and in default of such pursuite, that then the same shall be had, sued, exhibited, or brought for the Queenes Maiestie, her heires, or successours, at any time within two yeeres after that
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yeere ended. And if any Action, Sute, Bill, Inditement, or Information for any offence against any Penall statute, made or to be made, except the Statute of Tillage, shall be brought after the time in that behalfe before limited: That then the same shall be voyde and of no effect, Any acte or statute made to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, that where any Action, Information, Inditement or other suite, is, or shall be limited by any Statute penall, to be had, sued, commenced, or brought within shorter time then is afore rehearsed: That in every such case, the Action, Information, Inditement, or other sute shall bee brought within the time limited by such estatute. And bee it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that one statute made in the vii. yeere of the Raigne of the late King of famous memorie King Henry the eight, concerning the time of bringing actions, or Informations vpon penall Lawes, shall from and after twentie dayes after the ende of this Session of Parliament, be utterly repealed. And that all suites from and after the saide twentie dayes to be pursued vpon any statute, for bling any unlawfull game, or for not bling of any lawfull game, or for not having Bowes and Arrowes according to the Lawe, or for bling any Art or myserie, in the which the partie hath not bene brought by, according to the statute in that behalfe made, shall be sued and prosecuted in the generall quarter Sessions of the Peace, or Assises of the same Countie, where the offence shall bee committed, or otherwise enquired of, heard and determined in the Assises, or generall quarter Sessions of the Peace of the same Countie, where such offence shall bee committed, or in the Leete within which it shall happen, and not in any wise out of the same Countie, where such offence shall happen or bee committed.

An Act against abuses

in election of Schollers, and presentation
to Benefices.

The sixt Chapter.



Whereas by the intent of þe Founders of Colledges, Churches Collegiat, churches Cathedral, Schooles, Hospitals, Halles, and other like Societies within this Realme, and by þe Statutes and good Orders of the same, the elections, presentations, and nominations of fellowes, Schollers, Officers, & other persons to haue roome or place in the same, are to be had and made of the fittest and most meete persons, being capable of the same elections, presentations, and nominations freely, without any reward, gift, or thing giuen or taken for the same: And for true performance whereof, some Electors, Presentors, and Nominators in the same, haue or should take a corporall othe to make their elections, presentations, and nominations accordingly: yet notwithstanding it is seene and found by experience, that the said elections, presentations, and nominations, be many times wrought and brought to passe with money, giftes and rewardes, whereby the fittest persons to be elected, presented, or nominated, wanting money or friendes, are seldome or not at all preferred, contrary to the good meaning of the said founders, and the said good Statutes and Ordinances of the saide Colledges, Churches, Schooles, Halles, Hospitals, and Societies, and to the great prejudice of learning, and the common wealth and estate of the Realme.

For remedie whereof, be it enacted by the Queenes most excellent Maiestie, the Lordes Spirituall and Temporall, and the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that if any person or persons, bodies politike or corporate, which haue election, presentation, or nomination, or voice, or assent in the choise, election, presentation, or nomination of any fellow, Scholler, or any other person, to haue roome or place in any the said Churches, Colledges, Schooles, Hospitals,

tals, Halles, or Societies, shall at any time after fourtie dayes next after the ende of this present Session of Parliament, haue, receiue, or take any money, fee, reward, or any other profite directly or indirectly, or shall take any promise, agreement, covenant, bond, or other assurance to receiue or haue any money, fee, reward, or any other profite, directly or indirectly, eyther to him or themselves, or to any other of their or any of their friends for his or their voyce or voyces, assent or assents, or consents, in electing, choosing, presenting, or nominating any Officer, Fellowe, Scholler, or other person, to haue any roome or place in any the said Churches, Colledges, Halles, Schooles, Hospitals, or Societies: that then and from thenceforth, the place, roome, or office, which such person so offending, shall then haue in any the said Churches, Colledges, Schooles, Halles, Hospitals, or Societies, shalbe boide. And that then aswell the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successors, and euery other person and persons, or their heires and successors, to whom the presentation, donation, gift, election, or disposition, shall of right belong or appertaine of any such of the saide roomes or places of the said person offending as aforesaide, shall or may at their pleasure elect, present, nominate, place, or appoint any other person or persons, in the roome, office, or place of such person or persons so offending, as if the said person or persons so offending then were naturally dead.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that if any fellowe, Officer, or Scholler of any the saide Churches, Colledges, Schooles, Halles, Hospitals, or Societies, or other persons hauing roome or place in any of the same, shall at any time hereafter directly or indirectly take or receiue, or by any way deuise, or meanes contract or agree to haue or receiue any money, reward, or profite whatsoever, for & leauing or resigning by of the same his roome or place, for any other to be placed in the same: that then euery person so taking or contracting, or agreeing to take or haue any thing for the same, shall forfeite and lose double the summe of money, or value of the thing so receiued and taken, or agreed to be receiued or taken: And euery person by whom or for whom any money, gift, or reward as aforesaid, shall be giuen or agreed to be paide, shall be vncapable of that place or roome for that time or turne, and shall not be, nor had, nor taken, to be a lawfull fellowe, Scholler, or Officer of any the Churches, Colledges, Halles, Hospitals, Schooles, or Societies, or to haue such roome or place there: but that they to whom it shall apperteyne at any time thereafter, shall and may elect, choose, present, and nominate any other person fit to be elected, presented, or nominated into the saide roome or fellowship, as if the

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the said person, by or for whome any such money, gift, or reward shalbe giuen or agreed to be payde were dead, or had resigned and left the same. And for more sincere Election, choise, presentation, and nomination of fellowes, Scholers, Officers, and other persons, to haue roome or place hereafter in any of the sayde Churches, Colledges, Halles, Scholes, Hospitals, and other like Societies.

Be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that at the time of euery such Election, presentation, or nomination hereafter to be had, aswell this present act, as the Orders and Statutes of the same places, concerning such Election, presentation or nomination to be had, shall then and there be publickely read, vpon paine that euery person, in whome default thereof shal be, shall forfait and lose the summe of xl. pounce: All which forfeitures shall and may be had and recouered, in any her Maiesties Courts of record, by any person or persons, bodie polittique and corporate, that will sue for the same by Bill, plaint, or Action of debt, in which no Esopne, protection, or wager of Lawe shall be allowed, The one moytie whereof shall bee to him or them that will sue for the same, the other moytie to the vse of the sayde Church, Colledge, Hall, Hospitall, Schole, or Societie, where such offence shall be committed: And for the auoyding of Symonie and corruption in Presentations, Collations, and Donations, of and to Benefices, Dignities, Prebends and other livings and promotions Ecclesiasticall, and in admissions, institutions, and inductions to the same:

Be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that if any person or persons, bodie polittique or corporate, shall or do at any time after the ende of xl. dayes, next after the end of this Session of Parliament, for any summe of money, reward, gift, profite, or benefite, directly, or indirectly, or for, or by reason of any promise, agreement, graunt, bond, couenant, or other assurance, of, or for any summe of money, rewarde, gift, profite, or benefite whatsoever, directly or indirectly, present or collate any person to any Benefice with cure of soules, dignitie, Prebend or living Ecclesiasticall, or giue, or bestow the same, for, or in respect of any such corrupt cause or consideration, that then euery such presentation, collation, gift and bestowing, and euery admission, institution, inuerture and induction thereupon, shall be vtterly voyde, frustrate, and of none effect in Lawe. And that it shall and may be lawfull, to, and for the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successors, to present, collate vnto, or giue, or bestow euery such Benefice, dignitie, Prebende, and living Ecclesiasticall for that one time or turne onely, and that all and euery person or persons, bodie polittique and corporate, that from thence forth shall giue

or take any such summe of money, reward, gift, or benefite, directly or indirectly, or that shall take or make any such promise, graunt, bonde, covenant, or other assurance, shall forfeite and lose the double value of one yeeres profite of euery such Benefice, Dignitie, Prebend, and liuing Ecclesiasticall, and the person so corruptly taking, procuring, seeking, or accepting any such Benefice, Dignitie, Prebend or liuing, shall thereupon, and from thencefoorth bee adiudged a disabled person in Lawe, to haue or enioy the same Benefice, Dignitie, Prebende, or liuing Ecclesiasticall.

And be it further enacted, that if any person shall at any time after xl. dayes next after the ende of this Session of Parliament, for any summe of money, rewarde, gift, profite or commoditie whatsoever, directly or indirectly (other then for vsuall and lawfull fees) or for, or by reason of any promise, agreement, graunt, covenant, bond, or other assurance, of, or for any summe of money, reward, gift, profite, or benefite whatsoever, directly or indirectly, admit, institute, install, induct, inuest, or place any person in, or to any Benefice with cure of soules, Dignitie, Prebend, or other liuing Ecclesiasticall, that then euery such person so offending, shall forfeite and lose the double value of one yeeres profite, of euery such Benefice, Dignitie, Prebende, and liuing Ecclesiasticall. And that thereupon immediatly from and after the Inuesting, Installation, or Induction thereof had, the same Benefice, Dignitie, Prebend, and livings Ecclesiasticall, shall be estloones meerely voyde: And that the Patrone, or person to whome the Aduowson, gift, presentation, or collation shall by Lawe apperteyne, shall and may by vertue of this Acte, present or collate vnto, giue and dispose of the same Benefice, Dignitie, Prebend, or liuing Ecclesiasticall, in such sort, to all intents and purposes, as if the partie so admitted, Instituted, Installed, Inuested, Inducted or placed, had bene, or were naturally dead.

Provided alwayes, that no title to conserre, or present by lapse, shall accrewe vpon any voydance mentioned in this acte, but after vi. Moneths next after notice giuen of such voydance by the Ordinarie to the Patrone.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that if any Incumbent of any Benefice with cure of soules, after the ende of the laide fourtie dayes, doe, or shall corruptly resigne or exchange the same, or corruptly take for, or in respect of the resigning or exchanging of the same, directly or indirectly, any pension, summe of money, or benefite whatsoever: that then aswell the giuer, as the taker of any such pension, summe of money, or other benefite corruptly, shall lose double the value of the summe so giuen, taken, or had, the one mortie aswell there-
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of, as of the forfeiture of double value of one yeeres profite before mentioned, to be to the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successours, and the other moztie to him or them that will sue for the same; by action of debt, bill, or information, in any of her Maiesties Courts of Record, in which no Essoine, Protection, or wager of lawe, or priuiledge, shalbe admitted or allowed.

Provided alwayes that this Acte, or any thing herein conteyned, shall not in any wise extend to take away, or restraine any punishment, paine or penaltie, limited, prescribed, or inflicted by the lawes Ecclesiasticall, for any the offences before in this Acte mentioned, but that the same shall remaine in force, and may be put in due execution, as it might be before the making of this Acte: This Acte, or any thing therein conteyned to the contrary thereof, in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided further, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that if any person or persons whatsoever, shall or doe at any time after the ende of this Session of Parliament, receiue or take any money, fee, rewarde, or any other profite, directly or indirectly, or shall take any promise, agreement, covenant, bond, or other assurance, to receiue or haue any money, fee, reward, or any other profite, directly or indirectly, either to him or them selues, or to any other of their, or any of their friendes (all ordinarie and lawfull fees onely excepted) for or to procure the ordaining or making of any Minister or Ministers, or giuing of any orders, or licence or licences to preach: that then every person and persons so offending, shall for every such offence, forfeite and lose the summe of fourtie poundes, of lawfull money of England: and the partie so corruptly ordeyned or made Minister, or taking orders, shall forfeite and lose the summe of ten poundes. And if at any time within seven yeeres next after such corrupt entring into the Ministerie, or receiuing of orders, he shall accept or take any Benefice, Living, or Promotion Ecclesiasticall: that then immediatly from and after the Induction, Inuesting, or Installation thereof, or thereinto had, the same Benefice, Living, and Promotion Ecclesiasticall, shall be estsoones meerely boide, and that the Patron or Parson, to whom the Aduowson, Gift, Presentation or Collation, shall by lawe apperteyne, shall and may by vertue of this Acte, present or collate vnto, giue and dispose of the same Benefice, Living, or Promotion Ecclesiasticall, in such sort to all intents and purposes, as if the partie so Inducted, Inuested, or Installed had beene, or were naturally dead: any lawe, ordinance, qualification, or dispensation to the contrary, notwithstanding. The one moztie of all which forfeitures shall be to our Soueraigne Lady the Queene, her heires and successours, and the other moztie to him or them that

will sue for the same, by action of debt, bill, plaint, or information, in any of her Maiesties Courts of Record, in which no Escoine, Protection, Priuiledge, or wager of lawe, shall be admitted or allowed.

¶ An Acte against the erecting and mainteyning of Cottages.

The seuenth Chapter.



Of the auoyding of the great inconueniences which are founde by experience to growe by the erecting and building of great numbers and multitude of Cottages, which are dayly more and more increased in many partes of this Realme: Be it enacted by the Queenes most excellent Maiestie, and the Lordes Spirituall and Temporall, and the Commons in this present Par-

liament assembled, and by the aucthoritie of the same, that after the ende of this Session of Parliament, no person shall within this Realme of England, make, bulde, or erect, or cause to be made, builded, or erected, any maner of Cottage for habitation or dwelling, nor conuert or ordeyne any building or housing, made, or hereafter to be made, to be vsed as a Cottage for habitation or dwelling, vnlesse the same person doe assigne and lay to the same Cottage or building, foure acres of ground at the least, to bee accompted according to the Statute or ordinance de terris mensurandis, being his or her owne freeholde and inheritance, lying neere to the saide Cottage, to bee continually occupied and manured therewith, so long as the same Cottage shall be inhabited, vpon payne that euery such offendour shall forfeyte to our Soueraigne Ladie the Queenes Maiestie, her heires

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heires and successors, tenne pounds of lawfull money of England, for every such offence.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that every person which after the ende of this Session of Parliament, shall willingly byholde, maintaine, and continue any such Cottage hereafter to be erected, converted, or ordeined for habitation or dwelling, whereunto foure Acres of ground as is aforesaid shall not be assigned and layed to be vsed and occupied with the same, shall forfeite to our saide Soueraigne Lady the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successors xl. shillings for every moneth that any such Cottage shall bee by him or them byholden, maintained and continued.

Provided also and be it enacted, that from and after the feast of all Saints next comming, there shall not be any Inmate, or more families or households then one, dwelling or inhabiting in any one Cottage, made, or to be made or erected, vpon paine that every owner or occupier of any such Cottage, placing or willingly suffering any such Inmate, or other familie then one, shall forfeite & lose to the Lord of the Leete, within which such Cottage shall bee, the summe of tenne shillings of lawfull money of England, for every moneth that any such Inmate, or other familie then one, shall dwel or inhabite in any one Cottage as aforesaid. And that all and every Lord & Lordes of Leete and Leetes, and their Stewards within the Precinct of his and their Leete and Leetes, shall haue full power and authoritie within their seuerall Leetes, to enquire and to take presentment by the othe of Jurors, of all and every offence and offences in this behalfe, and vpon such presentment had or made to leuie by distresse to the vse of the Lord of the Leete, all such summes of money as so shalbe forfeited: And moreover that it shalbe lawfull for the Lord of every such Leete, where such presentment shall be made, to recouer to his owne vse any such forfeiture, by Action of debt in any of the Queenes Maiesties Courts of Recorde, wherein no Elloyne, protection or wager of lawe shall be allowed.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that all Iustices of Assises, & Iustices of Peace in their open Sessions, and every Lord within the precinct of his Leete & none others, shall haue full power and authoritie within their seuerall limits and Iurisdiccions, to enquire of, heare, and determine all offences contrary to this present Act, as well by Inditement, as otherwise by presentment or information, and to awarde execution for the leuying of the seuerall forfeitures aforesaid, by Fieri facias, Elegit, Capias, or otherwise as the cause shall require.

Provided alwayes, that this statute or any thing therein contained, shall not in any wise be extended to any Cottage, which

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 shalbe ordeined or erected to, or for habitation or dwelling in any Citie, Towne Corporate, or auncient Borough, or Market towne within this Realme, nor to any Cottages or buildings, which shalbe erected, ordeined, or conuerted to, and for the necessarie and conuenient habitation or dwelling of any workemen, or labourers in any Wynerall workes, cole Mines, Quarris or delles of stone, or slate, or in or about the making of Brick, Tile, Lime or Coles within this Realme. So as the same Cottages or buildings, bee not aboue one mile distant from the place of the same Wyneral or other workes, and shalbe vsed onely for the habitation and dwelling of the said workemen, nor shal in any sort prejudice, charge, or impeache any person or persons, for the erecting, mainteyning, or continuing of any such Cottages, as are before in this prouiso mentioned and specified.

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 Provided alwayes, that this acte shall not extend to any Cottage to be made within a mile of the Sea, or vpon the side of such part of any Nauigable riuer where the Admirall ought to haue iurisdiction, so long as no other person shall therein inhabite, but a Sayler or man of Manuall occupation, to, or for making, furnishing, or victualing of any Ship or vessel, vsed to serue on the Sea, nor to any Cottage to be made in any Forest, Chase, Warren or Parke, so long as no other person shall therein inhabite, but an Underkeeper or warrener, for the good keeping of the Deere, or other game of Warren, nor to any Cottage heretofore made, so long as no other person shall therein inhabite, but a common Heardman or Shepheard, for keeping the cattell or sheepe of the Towne, or a poore lame, sicke, aged, or impotent person, nor to any Cottage to be made, which for any iust respect by on complaint to the Justice of Assize at the Assizes, or to the Justices of Peace at the quarter Sessions, shall by their order entered in open Assizes or quarter Sessions, be decreed to continue for habitation for, and during so long time onely, as by such decree shall be tollerated and limited.

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✠ An Acte for the true

gawging of Vessels brought from be-
yond the Seas, conuerted by Brewers
for the vtterance and sale of
Ale and Beere.

The eight Chapter.



Here Beere and Ale are nowe
very commonly vttered, sould,
and put to sale, by the Beere
Brewers, and Ale Brewers,
aswell within the Citie of Lon-
don, as elsewhere within the
Realme of England, in Butts,
Pipes, Puncheons, Hogsheds,
Tierces, and such other vessels,
brought from beyond þe Seas,
which were neuer lawfully
gawged for that purpose with-
in this Realme, to the great
losse aswell of the Queenes highnesse, as of her Subiectes: Be
it therefore enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parlia-
ment, that no Brewer shall after the ende of fourtie dayes next
after the ende of this Session of this present Parliament, sell,
vtter, or put to sale, any Beere, or Ale in any such vessell or ves-
sels, within the Citie of London, or Suburbes of the same, or in
any other place or places within two miles compasse without
the same Suburbes, before the same shall be lawfully gawged,
and the true content of euery such vessell set downe vpon the
same by the Gallon, appointed and allowed for Beere and Ale,
according to that Standerd, by the Master and Wardens of the
art or mysterie of freemen of þe Comperers of the Citie of London,
or their Deputie or Deputies: nor shall (after the time before li-
mitted) sell, vtter, or put to sale, any Beere, or Ale, in any such
vessell or vessels, in any other place or places within the Realme
of England, and Wales, before the same shall be lawfully gaw-
ged, and the true content of euery such vessell set downe vpon
the same by the Gallon aforesaid, according to the Standerd, by
such as by the Statute in that behalfe made in the three and
twentieth yeere of the raigne of the late King of famous memo-
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rie, King Henry the eight, are to haue the gawging of Barrells, Byderkins, and fpyrkings, made for Beere or Ale to be put in, in such other place and places within the Realme of England and Wales, vpon paine to forfeite all and euery such bestell and bestels, wherein any Beere or Ale shal be vttered, sold, or put to sale, contrary to the true meaning hereof. And also all the Beere, or Ale, which shall be at the time of such vttering, selling, or putting to sale therein conteyned, to him or them that will seise the same, and vpon paine also to forfeite for euery such bestell wherein Beere or Ale shall be so vttered, sold, or put to sale, tenn shillings, the one moytie of which forfeitures shall be to the Queenes Maiestie, her heires, and successors, and the other moytie to him or them that will sue for the same, by action of debt, bill, plaint, information, or otherwise, wherein no Cessioine, protection, wager of lawe, or iniunction shall be admitted or allowed for the defendant. And that there shall be taken for the gawging of euery such bestell, within the Citie of London, and Suburbes of the same, and in all and euery place and places within two myles compasse without the same Suburbes, by the Master and Wardens of the arte or mysterie of freemen of the Cowpers of the Citie of London, for euery But, one penie, for euery Pipe, one penie, for euery Puncheon, one halfe penie, for euery Hoghead, one halfpennie, for euery Tierce, one halfpennie, and for euery other bestell which shall at any time (after the time before expressed) be brought into this Realme, from any the partes beyonde the Seas, wherein Beere or Ale shalbe vttered, sold, or put to sale, within the said Citie, or Suburbes, or any other place or places within two myles compasse without the same Suburbes, after like rates and no more: and that there shall be taken for the gawging of euery such bestell or bestels, in all and euery other place and places within the Realme of England and Wales, by such person and persons, as by the said Statute made in the said three and twentieth yeere of the raigne of King Henry the eight, are appointed for gawging thereof, after such like rates as are herein before appointed to be taken, for gawging within the Citie of London, and Suburbes of the same, and in other places within two myles compasse without the same Suburbes.

And it is further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that this Act shall extend to all and euery person and persons, which shall vse or occupie the mysterie of brywing, as well English borne, as Strangers: and that it shall be lawfull to all and euery person and persons, which shall haue aucthoritie by vertue of this Act, to gawge any bestell or bestels by this Acte, meant or intended to be gawged, to reterne euery bestell which shall be gawged, according to the true meaning of this Acte, untill the money which shalbe due for the gawging thereof, shalbe truly satisfied and payd.

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Provided alwayes, and be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that the Master and wardens of Compers aforesaide, or their sufficient Deputie or Deputies, within the space of eight and fourtie houres next after any reasonable request (to them or any of them made) shall come to any Brewer or Brewers house, or other place in the saide Citie of London, or Suburbes thereof, or two miles distance of the same, whereas their Caskes shall be, and there with all reasonable expedition shall gauge and marke the same Caskes & every of them, upon paine for every default, to forfeite & loose to the partie by or for whom such request as aforesaide shall be made, the summe of twentie shillings of lawfull money of England, to be had and recovered by the said partie against the corporation of Compers aforesaide, by action of debt, in any of her Majesties Courtes of Recorde at Westminster or elsewhere: in which action, no Cessoine, Protection, or Wager of lawe shall be admitted or allowed.

Provided also, that if any Scottish man, or any Stranger, shall bring from Scotland, or from beyond the Seas, to the said Brewers, or any of them, any maner of foine caske, and shall require to have Beere put into the same, and will transport the same Beere from hence, either into Scotland, or over the Seas, there to be drunke: that then in every such case, it shall and may be lawfull to and for the said Brewers, or any of them, to fill all such Caskes with Beere, at such rate and reckoning, as he and his marchant can agree, without having the said Caskes, or any of them, gauged or marked as is aforesaide, and without incurring any penaltie therefore: this Acte, or any thing therein contained to the contrary thereof, in any wise notwithstanding. This Acte to continue to the ende of the next Session of the next Parliament.

❧ An Acte for vvrits vpon

proclamations and exigents to be currant
within the Countie Palantine of Durham.

The ninth Chapter.



Here the Bishopricke of Durham is, and of long time hath beene an ancient Countie Palantine of it selfe: in which Bishopricke the Queenes writte hath not, nor yet doeth runne, so that the writte of proclamation awarded vpon any Exigend against any person or persons inhabiting within the same Countie in any action wherein processe of Outlawrie doeth lie, according to the Statute made

in the first yeere of the raigne of the late King Henry the eighth, cannot be directed to any Shirife, or other officer within þe saide Bishopricke, but vnto the Shirife of þe Countie next adioyning vnto the saide Bishopricke, so that the partie dwelling within the saide Bishopricke, against whom any such Exigend and proclamation hath beene or shalbe awarded, hath not had, nor hereafter can haue any knowledge of the same sute or processe: by reason whereof many persons inhabiting within the saide Bishopricke without knowledge haue bene outlawed, and hereafter are like to be outlawed in like maner to their bitter vndoings, if some speedie remedie be not the sooner prouided.

Be it therefore, and so: diuers other good considerations enacted, ordeyned and established by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that whensoeuer any writte of Exigend, at any time after the first day of April next comming, shalbe awarded at the sute of our Soueraigne Lady the Queenes Maiestie, her heires or Successors, Kings or Queenes of this Realme, or at the sute or sutes of any other person or persons, plaintife or plaintifes, in any action or sute in any of the Courtes of our said Soueraigne Lady, her heires or Successors, Kings and Queenes of this Realme, commonly called the Kings Bench, and the Common place, against any person or persons dwelling within the saide Bishopricke: that then immediatly vpon the awarding of euery such Exigend, the Justice or Justices before whom any such writ of Exigend vpon such sute or action shall be sued, shall haue full power and auctoritie by vertue of this Acte, to award
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one writ of proclamation, according to the tenor & effect of writs of Proclamation awarded upon exigends, & commonly directed out of any of þ said Courts into London, or into any other shires of this Realme, against any person or persons dwelling in other shire or shires of this realme, where the Queenes writ doth run according to the order and forme of the said Act, made in the first yeere of the reigne of the said late King, to be directed to the bishop of Durham for the time being, & during the vacation of the bishopricke, then to þ Chauncelloꝝ of the said Bishopricke or Countie Palantine for the time being, where it shall happen the saide defendant against whom any such action shalbe sued, as is aforesaide, to be dwelling, and not to the Sheriffe of any other shire next adioining to the said bishopricke or Countie Palantine (any lawe, custome, or blage heretofore bled to the contrarie notwithstanding.) And þ every such writ of Proclamation so to be hereafter awarded to such bishop or Chauncelloꝝ of the said Bishopricke or Countie Palantine, shal haue the same Teske and day of returne, as the exigends whereupon every such writ of Proclamation shalbe awarded shal haue: And that every such Bishop or Chauncelloꝝ, to whom any of þ said writ or writs of proclamation shalbe directed, shal by his or their mandat, directed to þ Sheriffe of the said Countie Palantine, cause proclamation to be made of þ same writs of Proclamation, according to þ tenor of the same, & shal make true returnes of the same, in such Court & Courtes, and before such Iustices as the tenor of the same writ and writs of proclamation shal require & demaund: And that all outlawries hereafter to be promulged or pronounced against any person or persons, upon any such exigent or exigents awarded against any person or persons, dwelling within the said Bishopricke or Countie Palantine, & no writs of proclamation awarded in forme aforesaid, to the Bishop or Chauncelloꝝ aforesaid, where the partie defendant shalbe, as is aforesaid, dwelling, or not returned as aforesaid, to be clearely void & of none effect nor force in the lawe.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that every Bishop of the said Bishopricke for the time being, and during the vacation of the said Bishopricke, the Chauncelloꝝ of the said Countie Palantine for the time being, shal haue in every of the said Courts of the Kings Bench and Common Pleees, one sufficient Deputie at the least, to receaue all such writs of Proclamations which shalbe hereafter directed to every such Bishop or Chauncelloꝝ of the said Bishopricke or Countie Palantine, for whome the same Deputie or Deputies shal be appointed, in like manner and forme, and upon like paines, as by the former Statutes and Lawes of this Realme, the Sheriffs of other shires or Counties within this Realme of England, be bound to haue in

either of the same Courts, and that all such writs of Proclamation as aforesaid, shalbe deliuered vnto euery such deputie or deputies of record in the same Courts, and either of them, and also like fees shalbe paid for making of euery such writte of Proclamation, and for enrolling the same of record, as is limited in the same Statute, made in the 6. yeere of the said king Henry the eight.

And be it further enacted and established by the authoritie aforesaid, that if any such writte or writs of Proclamation hereafter to be directed to any Bishop or Chauncello of the said Bishopricke or Countie Palantine, be deliuered vnto any of the said Bishops for the time being, or during the vacation of the saide Bishopricke to the Chauncello of the saide Countie Palantine for the time being, or to his or their deputie or deputies, in manner and forme aforesaid, and the same Bishop for the time being, or during the vacation of the said Bishopricke, the said Chauncello of the said Countie Palantine for the time being, doe not make true returne of euery such writte and writs of Proclamation to them directed into such Court and Courts, out of which the saide writte or writtes of Proclamation shall be awarded: That for euery such default of non returne, euery such Bishop for the time being, and during the vacation of the saide Sea, the saide Chauncello for the tyme being, so sayling to make due returne, shall lose and forfeite five poundes, the one halfe whereof shall be to the Queene, her Heires and Successors, and the other halfe thereof to any such person or persons, as will sue for the same, in an action of debt to be grownded vpon this Acte in any of the Queenes Courts of Record, where in no essoigne, protection, or wager of Lawe, shall be allowed or admitted.

Provided alwaies that this Acte, or any thing therein contained, shall not in any wise extend, or be prejudiciall to any Bishop of the said Bishopricke of Durham, for or concerning such liberties, franchises, or priuiledges as belong to the same Bishops Bishopricke or Sea, or to any ministers or officers of the same Bishopricke or Countie Palantine, otherwise or in any other maner, then by the true meaning of this Acte is before provided or declared, (any thing in this Acte mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.)

Provided also, that if any person or persons dwelling within the said Bishopricke or Countie Palantine, after the aforesaid first day of Aprill, shall be outlawed in any such suite or action as is aforesaid: That then all writs of special Capias vtlagatum, single Capias vtlagatum, non molestandum, and all other procelle, for or against any person or persons so outlawed, shal and may from henceforth be directed from time to time to the Bishop of the said Bishopricke

Bishopricke and Countie Pallantine for the time being, and during the vacation of the saide sea, to the Chauncelloz there for the time being, who shall make like writs and Processe thereupon and of like effect sealed with the seale of their said offices, to be directed to the Sheriffe of the saide Countie Palantine for the time being, as heretofore hath bene vsed and accustomed in such cases.

Provided alwaies, and be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that vpon any writte of Proclamation to be awarded by vertue of this Acte, and the mandat thereupon to be made to the Sheriffe, and the execution thereof, there shal be but one onely fee taken, receiued or demaunded for the same, by the said Bishop, Chauncelloz, and Sheriffe of the saide County Palantine for the time being.

¶ An Acte for the continu- ance and perfecting of diuers Statutes.

The tenth Chapter.



Where in the first Session of Parliament, begunne in the citie of London the third day of Nouember, in the xxi. yeere of the Reigne of our late Soueraigne Lord of famous memorie King Henrie the eight, and from thence ad- iourned and prorogued to the Pallace of Westminster, An Acte or Statute was made, intituled, An Acte for the true making of Cables, Hallsers, and Ropes: And where in the Parlia- ment houlden vpon prorogation at Westminster, the fourth day of februarie, in the foure and twen- tieth yeere of the Reigne of the saide King, One other Act was then and there made, intituled, An Act against killing of young beastes, called weanelings: And where in the Session of a Par- liament ended at Westminster, the first day of februarie, in the fourth yeere of the Raigne of our late Soueraigne Lorde King Edward the first, One Acte was made, concerning the buying and selling of Rother beastes and cattell, And also one other Acte was then and there likewise made, intituled, An Acte, for the buying and selling of Butter and Cheese: And where

also in the Parliament begunne at Westminster the three and twentieth day of January, in the first yeere of the Reigne of the Queenes Maiestie that now is, and there continued by prorogation vntill the dissolution thereof, An acte was then and there made, entituled, An Acte for the preservation of Spawne and frye of fishe: And where also in the first Session of Parliament holden at Westminster, the twelfth day of January in the fifth yeere of her Highnes Reigne, One act was then and there made, entituled, An Acte for maintenance and increase of tillage, And one other Acte was then and there likewise made, entituled, An Acte for the auoiding of diuers forreine wares made by handicrafts men beyond the Seas: And where also in the last Session of the Parliament holden by prorogation at Westminster the last day of September, in the eight yeere of her Maiesties Reigne, One acte was then and there made, entituled, An acte for Bowyers, and the prices of Bowes: And where also in the Parliament begunne and holden at Westminster, in the second day of April, in the thirteenth yeere of her Maiesties Reigne, there was one acte and statute, made for the auoiding of some leases in certaine cases to be made of Ecclesiasticall promotions with cure, entituled, An acte touching leases of benefices & other Ecclesiasticall livings with cure: And where also there was one other acte and statute made in the said Parliament begun & holden at Westminster, the said second day of April, in the said thirteenth yere, entituled, An act that Purueuers may take graine, come, or victuals, within five miles of Chisbury and Oxford, in certaine cases, And also one other acte was then and there made, entituled, An acte against Usurie: And where in the Parliament holden at Westminster, the eight day of May, in the fourteenth yeere of her Highnes Reigne, there was one other acte made, entituled, An acte for the continuation, explanation, perfecting and enlarging of diuers statutes, In which statute are contained diuers branches, clauses, and provisions touching and concerning the explanation, perfecting, and enlarging of diuers of the statutes before mentioned: And where also in the first Session of the Parliament begunne and holden at Westminster the eight day of May, in the fourteenth yeere of the Queenes Highnes reigne that now is, and from thence continued by prorogation till the dissolution thereof, there was one other acte made, entituled, An act for the punishment of vagabonds, and for the reliefe of the poore & impotent: And where in the Parliament holden at Westminster aforesaid, in the eighteenth yeere of her Maiesties Reigne, there was one other acte made, entituled, An acte for the setting of the poore on worke, and for the auoiding of idleness: And where in the Parliament

ament holden at Westminster the xxiii. day of November, in the xxvii. yeere of her Maiesties Reigne, One other acte was made for the reuiving, continuance, explanation and perfecting of diuers statutes, in which are contained diuers branches, provisions, and clauses touching and concerning certain additions and alterations vnto and of diuers of the said former recited statutes, and other new provisions: And where in the said Parliament holden at Westminster the xxiii. day of November in the xxvii. yeere of the Queenes Maiesties reigne that now is, there was an act made for the leuying of issues lost by Juroys: And whereas also in the Parliament holden at Westminster the xxiii. day of November in the xxvii. yeere of the Queenes Maiesties reigne that now is, there was one other Act made, entituled, An Act for the good gouernement of the Citie of Borough of Westminster. Forasmuch as the branches, clauses and provisions contained and specified in the said two Acts of continuance made in the xiiii. and xxvii. yeere of her Maiesties reigne, in addition, alteration, explanation, perfecting and enlarging of diuers of the said Statutes, and other Statutes, and all the residue of the said recited Acts, doe seeme good and beneficial to the weale, and profit of this Realme: Be it enacted that the saide branches, clauses and provisions of the sayd two Acts of continuance, & all the residue of the said recited Statutes and Acts and euery of them and all and euery article, clause and sentence in them and euery of them contained, shall be continued and endure in full force and effect, vntill the end of the next Parliament next ensuing. And where also in the first session of Parliament holden at Westminster the xii. day of Januarie in the said fift yeere of her Maiesties reigne, One Act was then & there made, entituled, An Act touching certaine politike constitutions made for the maintenance of the nauie: Be it further enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that so much only of the last mentioned Act as at this present standeth in force, and not heretofore at any time repealed, shall continue and endure in full force and effect vnto the end of the next Parliament next ensuing.

Where in the Parliament now last past holden at Westminster, an Act was then made, intituled, An Act for the continuance and perfecting of diuers statutes, in the end of which Act one prouiso is contained in these wordes folowing, viz. Prouided alwaies that whereas diuers her Maiesties louing subjects dwelling in the remote parts of this realme are many times maliciously troubled vpon information & suites exhibited in the courts of Kings bench, Common ples, and Exchequer, vpon Penal statutes, and are drawne by vpon processe out of y^e countreies where they dwell, and driuen to attend and put in baile, to their great troubles and vndoings: for reformation wherof, Be it enacted, that if any per-

son or persons shall be sued or informed against upon any penall law in any the said courts of Kings bench and Common plects, or Erchequer, where such person or persons are baileable by law, or where by the law or fauor of the court such person or persons may appeare by attorney, that in all and euery such case the person or persons so to be impleaded or sued, should and might at the day and time contained in the first processe serued for his appearance, appeare by attorney of the same Court where the processe is returnable, to answer and defend the same, and not be vrged to personall appearance, or to put in baile for the answering of such suit, any former law, custome, or vsage to the contrary notwithstanding. Be it now enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that the same branch of the said Act shall extend and shalbe interpreted, expounded and vnderstood, to extend only to the naturall subiects borne or to be borne, within the dominions of the Queenes Maestie, her heires and successors, and to persons made free denizons and to no others, any thing therein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

An Act of explanation or
declaration of the Statute of octauo Regis Hen-
rici sexti, concerning forcible Entries, the
Indictments thereupon found.

The eleuenth Chapter.



Whereas there is one good Acte made & established in the eight yere of the reigne of King Henrie the sixt, against such persons as should make forcible entrie into Lands, Tenements, and other Possessions, or them should forcibly holde : And one verie good promise or clause in the said Act contained, as insueth.

Provided alwayes, that they which keepe their possessions with force, in any Lands, & Tenements, wherof they or their ancestors haue continued their possession in the same by three yeres or more, be not endamaged by force of the said Statute. And wheras diuers of the Queenes Maesties

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testies good and louing Subiectes, and their auncestors, or those whose estate they haue for many yeeres together, aboue the space of thre yeeres or more haue bin in quiet possession of their dwelling houses, & other their lands & possessions: And now of late diuers of her Maiesties said Subiectes hauing entries made vpon their possessions, hauing had such quiet & long possession, for disturbing of such Entrers, and for keeping of their possession against suche Enterers, by colour of Indictmentes, of forcible entrie, or forcible keeping possession found against them, by meanes of the Othes of such Entrers, haue beene remoued and put out of their dwelling houses, and other their possessions, which they haue quietly helde by the space of thre yeeres together, or longer time, next before suche Indictmentes founde against them, against the true meaning and intent of the saide Prouiso or clause contained in the sayde Acte, for remedie of which Inconuenience, and for true declaration and explanation of the Lawe therein: Bee it ordeyned, declared, and enacted, by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that no restitution vpon anie Indictment of forcible Entrie, or holding with force, bee made to anie person or persons, if the person or persons so indicted hath had the occupation, or hath beene in quiet possession by the space of thre whole yeeres together, next before the daye of suche Indictment so founde, and his, her or their estate or estates, therein not ended nor determined: which the partie Indicted shall and may alleadge for stay of restitution, and Restitution to stay untill that bee tryed, if the other will denie or traaverse the same. And if the same allegation be tryed against the same person or persons so indicted, then the same person or persons so indicted to pay such costes & damages to the other partie, as shalbe assessed by the Judges or Iustices before whom the same shalbe tryed, the same costes and damages to be recouered and leuied, as is vsual for costes and damages contained in Judgements vpon other actions.

An Acte to auoyde Horse-stealing.

The twelfth Chapter.



Whereas through most Countie of this Realme, Horse-stealing is growen so common, as neither in pastures or closes, nor hardly in stables the same are to bee in safetie frō stealing, which ensueth by the ready buying of the same by Horse-coursers and others in some open fayres or markets farre distant from the owner, and with such speed as the owner cannot by pursuite possibly helpe the same: And sundre

the good ordinances haue heretofore bene made touching the manner of selling, and tolling of Horses, Mares, Geldings, and Coulters in fayres and Markets, which haue not wrought so good effect for the repressing or auoyding of Horse-stealing, as was expected.

Now for a further remedie in that behalfe, Be it enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that no person after twentie dayes next after the end of this Session of Parliament, shal in any faire or market, sell, giue, exchange or put away any Horse, Mare, Gelding, Coult or fillie, vnlesse the Towle taker there, or (where no Towle is payd) the Booke keeper, Baylis, or chiefe Officer of the same faire or Market, shall & will take vpon him perfect knowledge of the person that so shall sell, or offer to sell, giue or exchange any Horse, Mare, Gelding, Coult or fillie, and of his true Christen name, Surname, & place of dwelling or resiandce, & shall enter all the same his knowledge into a booke there kept for sale of horses: or els, that he so selling or offering to sell, giue, exchange, or put away any Horse, Mare, Gelding, Coult, or fillie, shall bring vnto the Couletaker or other Officer aforesaide of the same faire or Market, one sufficient and credible person, that can, shall or will testifie and declare vnto, and before such Couletaker, Booke keeper, or other Officer, that hee knoweth the partie that so selleth, giueth, exchaungeth, or putteth away such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Coult or fillie, and his true name, Surname, mystery and dwelling place: And there enter or cause to be

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be entred in the booke of the said Toltaker or Officer, as wel the true Christen name and Sirname, mysterie and place of dwelling, or resiancie of him that so selleth, giueth, exchaungeth, or putteth away such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt, or fillie, as of him that so shall testifie or auouch his knowledge of the same person, and shall also cause to be entred the very true price or value that he shall haue for the same Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt, or fillie so sold. And that no person shall take vpon him to auouch, testifie or declare, that he knoweth the partie that so shall offer to sell, giue, exchaunge, or put away such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, vnlesse he doe in deed truely know the same partie, and shall truly declare to the Toltaker or other officer aforesaid, as well the Christen name, Sirname, mysterie, and place of dwelling and resiancie of himself, as of him, of, and for whom he maketh such testimonie and auouchment. And that no Toltaker or other person keeping any booke of entrie of sales of horses in faires or markets, shall take or receiue any Toll, or make entrie of any sale, gift, exchange, or putting away of any Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, vnlesse he knoweth the partie that so selleth, giueth, exchaungeth, or putteth away any such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, and his true Christen name, Sirname, mysterie, and place of his dwelling or resiancie, or the partie that shall and wil testifie and auouch his knowledge of the same person so selling, giuing, exchaunging or putting away such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, and his true Christen name, Sirname, mysterie and place of dwelling or resiancie, and shall make a perfect entrie into the sayd booke of such his knowledge of the person, and of the name, surname, mysterie and place of the dwelling or resiancie of the same person, & also the true price or value that shall be Bona fide taken or had for any such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie so sold, giuen, exchanged, or put away, so farre as he can vnderstand the same, and then giue to the partie so buying or taking by gift, exchange or otherwise, such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, requiring and paying two pence for the same, a true and perfect note in writing of all the full contents of the same, subscribed with his hand, on paine that euery person that so shall sell, giue, exchange, or put away any Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, without being knowen to the Toltaker or other officer aforesaid, or without bringing such auoucher or witnes, causing the same to be entred as aforesaid, & euery person making any vntrue testimonie or auouchment in the behalfe aforesaid, and euery Toltaker, booke keeper, or other officer of faire or Market aforesaid, offending in the premisles contrary to the true meaning aforesaid, shall forfeit for euery such default the summe
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of five pounds, but also that every sale, gift, exchange, or other putting away of any Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt, fillie, in faire or market not bled in all points according to the true meaning aforesaid, shall be boyd: the one halfe of all which forfeitures to be to the Queenes maiestie her heires and successors, and the other halfe to him or them that will sue for the same before the Iustices of Peace, or in any her Maiesties ordinarie Courts of Record, by bill, plaint, action of debt or information, in which no essoine or protection shall be allowed.

And be it further enacted, that the Iustices of Peace of every place and Countie, as well within liberties as without, shall haue authoritie in their Sessions within the limites of their authoritie and Commission, to enquire, heare and determine all offences against this statute, as they may doe any other matter triable before them. And be it further enacted, that if any Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, after twentie dayes next ensuing the ende of this Session of Parliament, shall be stolen, and after shall be sold in open faire or Market, and the same sale shall be bled in all points and circumstances as aforesaid: that yet nevertheless, the sale of any such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie within sixe moneths next after the felonie done, shall not take away the proprietie of the owner from whom the same was stolen, so as claime be made within sixe moneths by the partie from whom the same was stolen, or by his executors or administrators, or by any other by any of their appointment, at, or in the towne or parish where the same Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie shall be found, before the Maior or other head officer of the same towne or parish, if the same Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie shall happen to be found in any towne corporate, or Market towne, or else before any Iustice of Peace of that Countie neere to the place where such Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie shall be found, if it be out of towne corporate or market towne, and so as proove be made within fortie daies the next ensuing, by two sufficient witnesses to be produced and deposed before such head officer or Iustice, (who by vertue of this acte shall haue authoritie to minister an othe in that behalfe) that the proprietie of the same Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie so claimed, was in the partie, by, or for whom such claime is made, and was stolen from him within sixe moneths next before such claime of any such Horse, Gelding, Mare, Colt or fillie, but that the partie from whom the sayd Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie was stolen, his executors or administrators, shall and may at all times after, notwithstanding any such sale or sales in any faire or open Market thereof made, haue proprietie and power to haue, take againe and enjoy the sayd Horse,

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Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, upon payment or readinesse, or offer to pay to the partie that shall haue the possession and interest of the same Horse, Mare, Gelding, Colt or fillie, if he will receiue and accept it, so much money as the same partie shall depose and sweare before such head officer or Justice of Peace, (who by vertue of this Acte shall haue authoritie to minister & giue an othe in that behalfe) that he paid for the same Bona fide, without fraud or collusion, any law, statute, or other thing to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesayd, that after xx. dayes after the end of this Session of parliament, not only all accessaries before such felonie done, but also all accessaries after such felonie, shall be deprived and put from all benefit of their Clergie, as the principall by statute heretofore made, is, or ought to be.

¶ An Act for reuiuing and enlarging of a Statute made in the xxiiij. yeere of her Maiesties raigne, for repaying of Douer Hauen,

The xiiij. Chapter.



Here in the Parliament holden at Westminster in the xxiij. yeere of the raigne of our most Soueraigne Ladie Queene Elizabeth, there was amongst others an Acte made, that for diuers and sundry good considerations therein mentioned, a certaine payment or contribution should be leuied for the better furtherance & finishing of the harbour of Douer, towards which worke it pleased her Maiestie of her highnesse bountie to bestow liberally, and many her Maiesties merchants according to that Acte, haue contributed willingly large summes of money which haue bene duely defraied to such good purpose and prooffe, as the officers and others of her highnesse Royall Haute, chasing the enemy upon that coast in Sommer last, can thereof beare sufficient testimonie,

testimonie, and as to the eye of euery beholder is apparant. And so; so much as this notwithstanding, there wanteth yet great summes so; finishing of the sayd workes so well begun, as also so; the continuall maintenance of the same, being a place (by situation in so narrow a streight) greatly subject to a most violent currant of tide: And so; that diuers and sundry great pieces of worke be there yet needfully to be performed, the doing whereof is necessarily required so; safetie of all the rest:

Be it therefore enacted by authoritie of this present Parliament, that the said Statute and all and euery the branches, clauses and articles therein contained, shalbe reuiued and haue continuance from so;tie dayes after the end of this Session of Parliament, vnto the end of seuen yeeres then next and immediately following. And be it also enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that euery Customer and Officer shall by vertue of this statute, be in all things answerable and chargeable so; the wilfull default o; negligence of his deputie, assignee, o; substitute, as farre so;th as by the said former Statute he was o; ought to haue bene charged so; his owne wilfull default, so; o; touching any thing contained in the sayd former Statute.

God saue the Queene.



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✿ An Acte for the confirmation of the Subsidies of the Cleargie.



Here the Prelates and Clergie of the Province of Canterbury, haue for certayne considerations lovingly and liberally giuen and graunted to the Queenes most excellent Maestie, two Subsidies of sixe shillings of the pound, to be taken and leuied of all and singular their promotions spirituall within the same Province, at such dayes and times, and in such certayne manner and forme,

and with such exceptions and prouisions, as be specified and contained in a certayne Instrument by them therof made and deliuered to the Queenes Highnesse, vnder the Seale of the most Reuerend father in God, John. now Archbishop of Canterbury, & Primate of all England, which Instrument is now exhibited in this present Parliament to be ratified and confirmed. The tenour whereof ensueth in these wordes:

Illustrissimæ & serenissimæ in Christo Principi, & Dominæ nostræ clementissimæ, Dominæ Elizabethæ, Dei gratia, Angliæ Franciæ & Hiberniæ Reginae, fidei defensori. &c. Iohannes diuina prouidentia Cantuariensis Archiepiscopus, totius Angliæ Primas & Metropolitanus, omnimodam obedientiâ, & subiectionem, ac felicitatē, & salutem in eo per quem Reges regnant, & Principes dominantur. Vestræ serenissimæ Regiæ sublimitati per presens publicum Instrumentum, siue has literas nostras testimoniales significamus & notum facimus, quod Prelati & Clerus nostræ Cantuariensis prouinciæ in sacra Sinodo prouinciali siue conuocatione, vigore & autoritate Breuis Regii vestri in ea parte nobis directi, in domo capitulari Ecclesiæ vestræ Cathedralis diui Pauli London, quinto die mensis Februarij, Anno Domini iuxta computationem Ecclesiæ Anglicanæ millesimo quingentesimo octogesimo octauo iam current. ex continuatione inchoata & celebrata, ac de die in diem & loco in locum vsque ad & in vltimum diem Februarij ante meridiem etiâ continuata & prorogata in Ecclesia Col-

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legiata diui Petri Westm. ac postea eodē die post meridiem in Manerio de Lambeth legitime cōgregati pro quibusdam magnis, arduis & vrgentibus causis per nos eis propolitis, ac inter eos matura deliberatione ponderatis, pro defensione regnorum & dominiorum vestrorū, nec non & pro eorum erga vestram regiam sublimitatem officio, duo vltanea ac spontanea & voluntaria subsidia vestræ Regiæ munificentia vnanimi eorum consensu & assensu dederunt & cōcesserunt, prout tenore presentis publici instrumenti (seriē concessionis huiusmodi in se continent.) plenius liquet & apparet: humiliter & obnixè vestræ Regiæ Maiestati supplicātes, quatenus hæc eorum subsidia pro vestra solita clemētia benignè accipiatis, ac bene cōsulere gratiose dignemini. Tenor verò dictæ cōcessionis de verbo in verbum sequitur, & est talis.

The Prelates and Cleargie of the prouince of Canterbury, being lawfully congregated and assembled together in a Conuocation or Synode, considering their bounden dueties to your Maiesty their most naturall and gracious Soueraigne Lady, and hauing in remembrance the manifold & ample benefits which they dayly receiue, not only by your most gracious & godly gouernmēt, whereby they be conserued in peace and quietnesse, and so more able to serue God, and intend to their office and vocation, but also, and that most chiesly, by the setting forth and aduancing of Gods most holy worde, and his sincere and true religion in this your Realme, and abolishing of al foraine power contrary to the same: Considering also the great & importable charges, that your Maiestie hath lately susteyned, as well in the necessarie prouision of all kyndes of munition, for the better fortifying both by sea and land of your Highnes dominions, & withstanding of forreyn inuasion, as also in the prouident and needfull prevention of such intended attemptes, as manifestly tended not onely to the disturbance of our peace, but euen of the vtter ouerthrowe of the present happy estate of this your Highnes Realme, to the myserable ruine of dyuers other countries associate and neere adioyning, and to the extirpation and rooting out of the sincere profession of the Gospel of Christ both heere and else where. And finally weyghing that the malice of the aduersaries of Gods truth, sworn enemies to your Maiesty and to the prosperity of this Realme, doeth dayly increase (as by many and notorions attemptes haue lately appeared, especially by the rare and wonderfull preparation of the Spanish forces, ready to haue inuaded this Realme the last yeere) whereby most dangerous and bloudy euents were like to haue ensued, vnlesse by the specpall goodnes of Almighty God, and by your Maiesties prouident care (as by a principall meanes) they had bene prevented: whose malice yet continuing and increased, with remembrance of their former euill successe, doeth at this present, and is like heereafter to put your Highnesse to very great and
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inestimable expenses.

In consideration of the premises, and for a true declaration of their bounden duties, good hartes and minds towards your Maestie, with one vni forme agreement, accorde and consent together, with most hearty good will haue giuen and graunted, and by these presentes doe giue and graunt to your Highnesse, your Heires and Successors, two whole and entire Subsidies in maner and forme following.

That is to say, That euery Archbishop, Bishop, Deane, Archdeacon, Prouost, master of Colledge, Prebendarie, Parson, Vicar, and euery other person and persons, of whatsoever name or degree he or they be within the prouince of Canterburie, enjoying any Spirituall promotion, or other Temporall possession to the same Spirituall promotion annexed, nowe not deuised or separated by Act of Parliament or otherwise from the possession of the Cleargie, shall pay to your Highnesse, your Heires and Successors, for euery pound that he may yeerely dispend by reason of the said Spirituall promotion, the summe of sixe shillings for eche of the saide two Subsidies. And for the true and certaine value of all the promotions and euery of them, whereof the payment of this Subsidie shall be made, the Rate, Taxation, Valuation, and Estimation nowe remaining of record in your Maesties court of Exchequer, for the payment of a perpetuall Disme or Tenth graunted vnto your Maesties most noble father, in the xxvi. yere of his reigne, concerning such promotions as now be in the possession of the Cleargie, shall only be followed & obserued without making any Valuation, Rate, Taxation or Estimation, other then in the said record is comprised.

Provided alwaies, that forasmuch as the tenth part of the said Rate and Valuation before mentioned, is yeerely payde to your Highnesse for the said perpetuall Disme, so as there remaineth onely nine parts yeerely to the Incumbent cleare: These two Subsidies of sixe shillings the pound, shall be vnderstanded and meant onely of euery full pound of the said nine parts, and of no more.

Provided alwaies, that no person that hereafter shall be promoted to any benefice or Spirituall promotion, and shall compoynde with your Maestie, your heires and successors, for the first fruits of the same, after the second day of October which shall be in the yere of our Lord God one thousand five hundred & ninetie, & on this side the second day of October which shall be in the yere of our Lord one thousand five hundred fourescore & sixteene, shall be contributorie or charged for the same benefice or promotion to your Highnesse your Heires or Successors with any part of these Subsidies, during the first yere after the time of any such compounding for his first fruits.

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And your Prelates and Cleargie doe also grant, that these two Subsidies of sixe shillings the full pound, of the nine partes of the peere,ly value of euery spirituall promotion aforesaid within the said prouince taxed as is aforesaid, shall with all expedition after the last payment of one subsidie heretofore granted to your Highnesse, by your saide Prelates and Cleargie, in the xxix. yeere of your Maiesties reigne, be payd to your Maiesty, your Heires and Successors, in maner & forme following: That is to say, two shillings of euery full pound aforesaid, yerely vntill the same be paid. The first payment of the former of these two Subsidies, to be due at the second day of October, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord one thousand five hundredeth fourescore and eleuen: And the second payment of the same to be due at the second day of October, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundredeth fourescore & twelue: And the third payment of the same to be due at the second day of October, in the yeere of our Lord, one thousand five hundredeth fourescore and thirteene. And also the first payment of the latter of these two Subsidies, to be due at the second day of October, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord, one thousand five hundredeth fourescore and sirteene, to be deliuered and payde peere,ly by such person and persons as in this present graunt shall be appointed to haue the Collection thereof, to the Lorde high Treasourer, or vnder Treasourer of England for the time being, or to such person or persons, & in such place or places, as shall please your Highnesse to appoint to be payd, at or before the two and twentieth day of Januarie, in euery of the saide sixe yeeres, without paying any thing to the receiuer, or to any other officer or persons to be assigned for the receite thereof, for any acquittance or other discharge vpon any suche payment or receite of the saide Subsidies, or any part thereof, to be giuen and deliuered, but onely foure pence, and that to the Clarke for writing the same Acquitances or discharge for euery of the same payments.

Item, your Highnesse said Prelates and Cleargie also do grant, that euery Priest and all other Ecclesiasticall persons, hauing any pension payable by your Maiesty, your Heires and Successors, by reason of the dissolution of the late Monasteries, Colledges, free Chappels, Chaunteries, fraternities, Guilds and Hospitals, or of any other spiritual dignity or corporation nowe dissolved within the sayde prouince of Canterburie, shall likewise paye to your Highnesse, your heires and Successours, sixe shillings of euery pounce of the saide pensions, within the saide first three yeeres, & sixe shillings of euery pounce of the saide pensions within the said latter three yeeres, at such dayes and times as are before specified. And that for sure payment thereof, deduction and detention of the same shall bee made peere,ly in the handes of the payers of

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of the said pensions, after the rate and portion of two shillings the pound, euery of the said six yeeres to be accounted for and answered to your Maiesties vse, by your Highnesse receiuers and officers deputed for the payment of such pensions, in their seuerall accounts: within the which, allowance shalbe giuen them for their payment of euery such pensions, liable to the seuerall payments of the said two Subsidies.

Item, your said Prelates and Cleargie doe grant, that euery Priest or Minister stipendary, receiuing an annuall stipend being no perpetuity, of eight pounds or aboue within the said prouince, shall pay vnto the vse of your Highnes, your heires and successors, six shillings and eight pence in euery of the said six yeeres, at such time and to such persons, as the said Subsidies shall be paid: And for default of the payment of the said stipendaries, that euery Parson, vicar or other Spirituall or Temporall person, Proprietarie or Farmour, hiring any priest or minister to serue in any place, shalbe answerable & charged for and with the payment of the said six shillings eight pence for the said Priest or Minister euery of the said six yeeres, and shall and may make retention of his and their wages quarterly, of so much as the said stipendaries be charged with by this present grant, euery of the said six yeeres.

Item, your said Prelates & Cleargie do grant, that euery Archbishop, Bishop, and (the Sea being boide) euery Deane and Chapter of that Sea void, shall be Collectors of these Subsidies within their proper Dioces, during the said six yeeres, other then of the pensionaries aforesaid: & that the said Archbishop, Bishop, or (the Sea being void) the Deane & Chapter shall certifie into your Maiesties Court of Erchequer vnder their Seales, the names & surnames of al such stipendary priests and ministers within their Dioces as be chargeable by this Act, at or before the said two and twentieth day of Januarie, yeerely during the said six yeeres.

And those stipendary Priests and Ministers onely shalbe reputed and taken to be chargeable by this Act, which shall be in such sort certified, vnlesse within three yeeres next after such certificat exhibited, it shalbe iustly proued that some are omitted that ought therein to haue bene certified. And in this case, such and so many other stipendary Priests and Ministers shall be likewise accounted chargeable by this Act, as within the said three yeeres shalbe so found to haue bene omitted.

And your said Prelates and Cleargie doe most humbly beseech your Maiestie, that it may be enacted by your Maiestie, and your high Court of Parliament (for the speedie payment of the said two subsidies, & to auoid delays therof) that when and as often as arie Collector or Collectors chargeable with the collection of these Subsidies or of any part of them, or the Deputie or Deputies of any

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any of them, shall offer the payment of them, or any part of them, to the use of your Maestie, your heires or successors, to any person or persons appointed to receive the same by your highnesse, or by the said Lord high Treasurer: that the said person or persons so appointed, shall within foure dayes next after such appointmēt, receive, or cause to be received the mony so offered to be paid, without any further delay, & deliver one sufficient bill, testifying the receipt thereof, to the said Collector or his Deputie, upon every such particular payment: And that every such Auditor as is or shall be appointed to take or receive the accompt of any such Collector or Collectors, shall within sixe dayes next after request to him to be made, truly & indifferently take the said account, and make allowance as by this grant is appointed, upon paine that every such person & persons appointed to receive the same summe or summes of mony so offered, and every such Auditor, shall lose and forfeit for every default or delay to be made, to the Collector or Collectors so offering to make payment or account as is aforesaid, the summe of ten pounds of lawfull money of England, the one moitie thereof to be to your Maestie, your heires and successors, and the other moitie to the said Collector or Collectors so grieved, the same to be paid upon complaint to be made to the said Lord Treasurer, under Treasurer, or to the Lord chiefe Baron of your Maesties court of Exchequer, who upon such complaint shall presently examine the matter, and finding default, shall commit the offender to ward, there to remaine until he shall have paid the said severall summes so forfeited.

And for better leuying and recovering of these Subsidies, your said Prelates and Cleargie doe likewise most humbly beseech your Maestie, that it may be enacted by your Maestie and your said high court of Parliament in maner and forme, (that is to say) That every Collector of the said Subsidies, and of every part and parcel of them, and their lawfull Deputie or Deputies, may have full power and authoritie to use all such wayes and meanes and processe as be prescribed in the Act of perpetuall disme for the collection & leuying thereof & may make account of the same, before the Lord his Treasurer or under Treasurer of England for the time being, or any other officer by your Highnesse or your Court of Exchequer to be appointed for the same, and in such place as your Maestie shall likewise assigne, in such wise and after such forme onely as the said Archbishop and Bishops be now charged to make account for the saide perpetuall Disme & Tenth: whereby is meant, that the lacke and default of payment of and for any Spirituall promotion or promotions, shall onely charge such incumbent or incumbents, and such others as be bound to pay the same: and that the Archbishop, Bishop, and Deane and Chapter, gathering

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gathering that which they can receiue, and making paiement thereof, shall for the rest not by them receiued be discharged by their Certificate to be made at or before the two and twentieth day of Ianuarie, in euery of the said six yerres, vnto your Highnesse Court of Exchequer: and that six pence of euery pound, wherewith the Collector shall be charged in his account cleerly to be paid into the receipt of your Maiesties Exchequer, or into such other place as shall please your Highnesse to appoint, shall be allowed to the said Collector vpon his account for the same in euery of the said six yerres for the charges of the said Collection, portage, safe conueying and paying of the said Subsidies.

And moreover, that it may be enacted likewise, that after any paiement of the said Subsidie shall be once due by vertue of this grant in any one of the said six yerres, if any incumbent of any benefice or promotion spirituall charged to the paiement of either of the said Subsidies, being at any time after that the same paiement shall be due, lawfully monished, either personally or at his dignitie, stall, Church or mansion house by the Archbishop or Bishop of the Dioces, or his deputie or deputies, or the Deane and Chapter (the sea being void) or by any of their deputie or deputies authorized in that behalfe, to appeare by himselfe or his deputie, at a certayne day and place of conuenient distance to the said incumbent then to be signified and prefixed, and then and there to pay such part of the said Subsidies of his benefice or promotion spirituall, as then by vertue of this grant shall be due, doe not either at the same day and place so to him signified and prefixed, truely content and pay, or cause to be contented and payed the same part of the said Subsidies, which then by him shall be due to be payed vnto the same Archbishop or Bishop, or to his Deputie or Deputies, or to the Deane and Chapter of any Sea being void, or to their Deputie or Deputies, or to one of them shewing sufficient deputation from the said Archbishop, Bishop, or Deane and Chapter, vnder his or their Seale in that behalfe, being ready at the same day and place so signified and prefixed, to receiue any paiement of the said Subsidies then due, & openly demanding the same, or else pay the same within xl. dayes next after any such prefixed day at the furthest (so þ open demand be made of the said paiement of þ said Subsidies in and at the said place and day before prefixed:) that then euery incumbent so making default of paiement of his part of the said Subsidies, in any of the said six yerres, after such default thereof certified into your Maiesties Exchequer in writing, vnder the Seale and hand writing of any Archbishop or Bishop, or the common seale of the Deane and Chapter, the Sea being void, charged with the collection of the same Subsidies, so that the said Certificate shall be made according to the forme herreafter expressed, and exhibited

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exhibited into your Maesties said court of Erchequer, at or before the two & twentieth day of Januarie in euery of the said sixe yeres, shall forfeit and lose vnto your Maestie, your heires & successors, all the profits which of that onely dignitie, benefice or promotion for the which he maketh such default of paiement, and wherof such Certificat shall be made, shall come, grow or arise vnto him, (ouer and aboue the charges of seruing the Cure) in one whole yere next after such Certificate made & deliuered into your Highnesse Court of Erchequer, and there admitted, in case the same Incumbent shall so long liue. And that euery such certificat of any such default of paiement, shalbe made according to the tenor and effect ensuing, mutatis mutandis.

Honorabilibus & egregijs viris Domino Thesaurario & Baronibus de Scaccario Illustrissimæ Dominæ nostræ Dominæ Elizabethæ, Dei gratia, Angliæ, Franciæ & Hib. Reginæ, fidei defensoris, &c.

Vester humilis I. permissione diuina L. Episcopus, autoritate & vigore cuiusdam actus parliamenti, anno regni dictæ dominæ Reginæ tricesimo primo editi & prouisi ad colligendum & leuandum Subsidia eidem Dominæ Reginæ in eodem parlamento per Prælatos & Clerum Cantuarien. prouinciæ concessa: videlicet, pro prima solutione primi Subsidij soluend. secundo die Octobris vltimo preterito infra Diocesim nostram L. deputatus & autorizatus, omnimodam reuerentiam tantis viris debitam cum honore. Vestris reuerentijs harum serie annuntio & certifico, me præfatum Episcopum modo quo præfertur deputat. & autorizat. sufficienter, & cum omni diligentia requisuisse per N. O. deputat. meum in hac parte, de quocunque beneficio & promotione ecclesiastica, in quadam Scheda præsentibus annexa specificatis, summas dicti Subsidij pro dictis beneficijs & promotionibus debitas pro prima solutione dicti Subsidij debiti soluend. dicto secundo die Octob. vltimo præterito, prout in eadem scheda præsentibus annex. plenius liquet & apparet. Sed dictas summas ex causis in eadem scheda allegatis recipere non potui. In cuius rei Testimonium Sigillum meum præsentibus apposui. Dat.

die mensis Anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo nonogesimo primo. The forme of which schedule aboue mentioned ensueth.

Ciuitas L. vel Decanatus de H. A. rector vel vicarius
ibidem monitus fuit apud prædict.
die vltimo præterit. per N. O. Deputatum
meum ad soluend. apud ecclesiam de L. in commitat. R.
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ipsum debitam secundo die Octob. vltimo preterito, pro promotio-
ne sua prædicta. Sed prædict. A. B. nec apud ecclesiam de L. prædi-
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dies postea, summam per ipsum debitam (vt prefertur) soluit vel satisfacit,

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fecit, neque dictam summam de proficuis dictæ promotionis, nec de bonis & catallis dicti A.B. aliquo modo leuare siue recipere potui.

Provided alwaies, that if any person or incumbent chargeable by this act or graunt to any payment of these two subsidies, shall profer or tender payment of any summe due to the Archbishop or Bishop, or to the Deane and Chapter where the Sea is void, or to any Deputie or Deputies of any Archbishop, Bishop, or Deane and Chapter aforesaid, at any time before the certificat exhibited into the Exchequer as is aforesaid, that then notwithstanding the certificat made as is aforesaid, against any such person, the sayd Incumbent or person, against whome the certificate was so made, shall and may auerre the offer or tender of his payment as is aforesaid, and of the same shall be tried, either by sufficient witnesses before the Lord Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer, or by the triall of twelue men, vpon any issue thereupon to be ioyned betwixt the same Incumbent or any other person or persons, that he or any for him did offer or tender payment of the summe due as is aforesaid: That then euery such Incumbent shall haue and enioy his promotion or promotions stil, without forfeiture or loosing to your Maestie, your heires or successors, any the profits thereof, & as though no certificat or default of such payment had bene made or exhibited, any thing in this present graunt or acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

And further, that it may be enacted likewise, that euery Archbishop and Bishop, and Deane & Chapter of euery Sea vacant, & other persons chargeable to & with the collection of these Subsidies within the said prouince of Canterbury, shall & may haue vpon euery payment of the same Subsidies made to the Lord high Treasurer or vnder Treasurer of England for the time being, or to such other person or persons, in place and places, to whom and where it shall please your Highnesse or your Court of Exchequer to appoint for the receipt therof in euery of the sayd six peeres, a sufficient acquittance, discharge or quietus est, in writing of the said Lord high Treasurer or vnder Treasurer, or of such other person or persons, as either your highnes or your said court of Exchequer shall assigne for the receipt therof, or as heretofore in þ like cases it hath bin accustomed, the same acquittance, discharge or quietus est witnessing þ receipt of so much of the same summe of þ said subsidies as shall be so receiued: and euery such acquittance, discharge or quietus est in writing, sealed & subscribed with the name or names of the Lord high Treasurer or vnder Treasurer for þ time being, or of such audito or other person or persons as it shall please your highnes or your said court of Exchequer to appoint for þ same receipts, or of such others as heretofore in like cases it hath bin vsed, shall & may be good & effectual in the

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Law, and be also as sufficient a discharge to all and euery of the said Collectoꝝ, to all such intents, constructions and purposes, as if the same were made by Acte of Parliament: And that euery of the saide Collectoꝝ shall paye but onely three shillings foure pence foꝛ euery generall and finall acquittance, discharge oꝛ quietus est, foꝛ euery peeres payment of the saide Subsidies: And if any person so assigned, shall refuse oꝛ delay to make such a generall oꝛ finall acquittance, discharge oꝛ quietus est, foꝛ euery peeres payment of the said Subsidies, oꝛ shall enquire and take foꝛ the same, any moze then three shillings foure pence: Oꝛ if any other officer of the Erchequer shall require and take of any Collectoꝛ oꝛ Collectoꝝ, oꝛ of his oꝛ their Deputie oꝛ Deputies, in respect of the collection, payment, oꝛ account of the said Subsidies, oꝛ any part thereof, oꝛ foꝛ expedition, oꝛ foꝛ any other cause oꝛ pretence whatsoeuer concerning the same, any fees oꝛ sums of money, other then are befoze in this present Acte expressly allowed vnto them, shall forfeit the summe of ten pounds of lawfull money of England, to be paid and recovered in like manner, and to the same vses, as is befoze limited and expessed in this statute, touching the like forfeitures of Receiuers and Auditoꝛs: And also that euery particular acquittance, which vpon payment of any part of the same Subsidies shall be made by any Collectoꝛ oꝛ Collectoꝝ of the same Subsidies, oꝛ of any payment of them, oꝛ by his oꝛ their Deputie oꝛ Deputies in that behalfe, to any incumbent of any benefice oꝛ promotion spirituall, oꝛ to any person oꝛ persons contributoꝛie and chargeable to and with the same Subsidies oꝛ any part oꝛ payment of them, shall be good and effectuell in the Lawe, and a full and sufficient discharge to euery such incumbent and other person and his benefice and promotion spirituall, of and foꝛ all such summe and summes of money as by the same acquittance shall be acknowledged to be receiued in respect of the same benefice oꝛ promotion spirituall, foꝛ any payment oꝛ any part of the same Subsidies: And that none acquittance of any other person oꝛ persons made befoze such certificate, shall in any wise discharge any person oꝛ promotion foꝛ any part of his said Subsidies, noꝛ of any paine, penaltie oꝛ forfeiture specified in this graunt. And to the intent it may be knowen to the Court of Erchequer, who be the Deputie oꝛ deputies of euery such Archbishop, Bishop oꝛ Deane and Chapter, authorized to receiue the same, and to make acquittance therof, euery Archbishop and Bishop, and Deane and Chapter of any Sea being boide, shall yeerely with the certificate of the names of the stipendarie Priestes, certifie the names of euery the Deputies to be appointed as is aforesaid.

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of any part of them, shall vse any Procelle or compellarie meanes, or exact any fees or summes of money for the same, or otherwise of any person for not paying the said Subsidies or any part thereof, at such certaine day and place, as shalbe by the Collectour or his Deputie prefixed, in case the saide person shall tender the same vnto the Collectour or his Deputie, within tenne dayes next after such prefixed day: And that the saide Collectours shall not by themselves or any others, take of any person for the receipt of any seuerall payment of the said Subsidies, and for his acquittance thereupon, any more then fourepence, by any colour or pretext whatsoever.

Provided also, that no Spirituall promotions, or any lands, possessions or reuenues annexed to the same, being charged by this graunt of the prouince of Canterbury, or any goods or cattels growing, being or renuing vpon the same, or elsewhere appertaining to the owners of the said Spirituall promotions, or to any of them, shalbe charged or made contributorie to any fifteene or tenth, or any other Subsidie already graunted to your Highnesse by the Laitie, or hereafter to be graunted, during the terme of the said sixe yeeres.

Provided also, that al Deanes, Archdeacons, Dignities, Masters, Wardens & Prebendaries of all Cathedral and Collegiat Churches & Colledges, or any of them within the said prouince, shalbe charged with these Subsidies for those possessions, reuenues & promotions only, which to their seuerall promotions, dignities & roomes are clearly & distinctly limited, & to their only uses seuered, thereof to pay (the tenth part being deducted for either of the said Subsidies) sixe shillings of euery full pound, in maner & fourme as is aboue rehearsed. And that all those rents, possessions, profits, portions, hereditaments and Spirituall promotions, and euery of them heretofore by your Highnes, or any your Maiesties noble progenitours, or any other person or persons whatsoever, given, graunted, bequethed, deuized or impropriated vnto the said Cathedral or Collegiat Churches or Colledges, or to any of them, which any wayes be assigned, imployed or vled, either for or towards the yerely maintenance of readers of Diuinitie, poore men, Scholemasters, Wihers, Grammarians, Peticannons, Conducts, vicars, Chorall Singing men, Choristers, Wergers, Sertens, or of any other necessary or daily officers or ministers, in such Cathedral or Collegiat Churches or Colleges, or any of them, or for or towards the reedifying or repairing of any of the same Cathedral or collegiat Churches, or Colleges, shall not be charged with any part of those Subsidies. The certainty of which portions aswel chargeable to these Subsidies, as not chargeable in this behalfe, p^r Archbishop, or Bishop

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of the Dioces, or (the Sea being boyd) the Deane and Chapter, or any other to whome the same shall or may appertaine, vpon due search and examination, shall certifie vnder his or their scale, into your Highnes said Court of Erchequer, at or before the said xxii. day of Januarie, in euery of the said fixe yeeres.

Provided alwayes, that euery Parson, Vicar or other spiritual person, paying any pension, whereof no allowance is made in the valuation of his promotion or benefice, shall and may retaine ii. s. of euery pound, of euery such pension euery yeere during the said fixe yeeres, to his owne reliefe, in consideration that he is charged to pay these two Subsidies of vi. s. the pound, out of euery pound, of the whole value of his promotion, any covenant, graunt or band to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, and your saide Prelates and Cleargie doe most humbly beseeche your Highnes, that it may be enacted by your Maiesties authoritie, and your high Court of Parliament, that where certaine landes, tenements, rentes, spirituall promotions, tithes, pensions, portions, fruits and other hereditaments, lately belonging to diuers Cathedrall Churches, and to other places and persons Ecclesiasticall within the saide Prouince of Canterburie, which were giuen and assigned to bee bestowed and spent, in and on finding and mainteining of certaine chauntries, anniuersaries, obites, lightes, lampes, and other like charges, intents and purposes, of late came into the handes and possession of the late King of famous memorie, Edward the first, by the force of a Statute thereof made in the first yeere of his reigne, as by the saide Statute more plainly appeareth: That the said Cathedral Churches, and the Bishops, Deanes or Presidents and Chapters, and Prebendaries of the same, and all other places and persons Ecclesiasticall or any of them, to whome the saide landes, rents and other the premises or any of them did lately appertaine, shall not during the saide fixe yeeres, be charged to and with any payment of Subsidie, of and for that part and portion of landes, tenements, rentes, spirituall promotions and other hereditaments, or any of them, wherunto the said late King, by force of the saide statute, was intituled or possessed of, nor of any yeerely rentes or payments, going out of the said Cathedral Churches, and other the places and persons Ecclesiasticall aforesaide: And that deduction and allowance thereof be made to them, & euery of them accordingly, in and vpon euery payment of the saide Subsidies out of the whole value, taxation & estimation made for the payment of the saide perpetuall disme or tenth, remayning of recorde in your Highnes Court of Erchequer as aforesaide, for the rate and portion of landes, tenements, rentes, spirituall promotions and other hereditaments,

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ditaments, and those yeerely payments, whereunto the said late King was intituled or possessed of, or which since the making of the said statute, by reason that they haue bene found as landes, tenements, rents, tithes, or other hereditaments concealed from the said late King Edward the first, the late King Henry the eighth, the late Queene Mary, or any of them, or from your Maiestie, or otherwise are seuered from the possessions of the saide Cathedral Churches and other places and persons aforesaid, or of any of them, by force of the statute premised, or any other wise.

Provided also, that these two Subsidies graunted by the Clergie, shall not be demaunded or leuied out of any benefice, house of students or Colledge situate or set within either of the Universities of Cambridge or Oxford, or any benefice, landes or other revenues vnto the saide Universities or either of them, or to any house of students or Colledge in any of the same Universities vntited, appropriated or appertayning, or out of any benefice, lands or revenues of the Colledge of Windsor, or of the Colledge of Westminster, being of your Maiesties foundation, or of the Colledge of Eaton nigh Windsor, or of the Colledge called S. Maries Colledge by Winchester, founded by William Wickham, sometime Bishop of Winchester, or of any Hospitals, almes houses or Grammer schooles, or of any Church, benefice or other revenues to the saide Colledges, Hospitals, Almes houses, or Grammer schooles, or to any of them annexed, appropriated or otherwise appertaining.

Provided alwayes, that all Parsons, Vicars, and other Ecclesiasticall persons, whose benefices are not aboue vi. li. xiii. s. and iiii. d. by yeere, after the taxation aforesaid, shall not be charged with these two Subsidies, or any part of the same.

Provided also, that every Vicar, whose benefice is eynht pounds or aboue, and not aboue ten pounds by the yeere, after the taxation aforesaid, shall pay every yeere of the said sixe yeeres onely, sixe shillings eight pence for his part of the saide Subsidies, as stipendarie Priestes be charged to pay by force of this graunt and not otherwise: And if it be vnder eight pounds, he shall not be charged with any part of the said Subsidies.

Provided also, that every Priest, and all other Ecclesiasticall or late religious persons, hauing a pension by reason of the dissolution of the late Monasteries, Colledges, free Chappels, Chauntries, fraternities, Guilds and Hospitals, or any other Incorporation within the Province of Canterbury, or any of them, and being of the summe of five poundes or vnder, and not aboue, shall not be charged or chargeable for any such pension: Any thing conteyned in this graunt to the contrary notwithstanding.

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And for the sure and true payment of these two Subsidies graunted by your sayd Prelates and Cleargie of the Province of Canterburie, according to the tenour, purport, effect and true meaning of this present graunt, your sayd Prelates and Cleargie most humbly desire your Highnesse, that this their sayd gift, graunt and Subsidies, and euery matter, summe of money, petition, clause, provisions, and sentences in this Instrument contained concerning the sayd Subsidies, may be ratified, established and confirmed by the authoritie of your Highnes Court of Parliament.

In quorum omnium & singulorum premissorum fidem & testimonium, nos Iohannes Archiepiscopus Cantuariensis antedictus, has presentes literas nostras testimoniales, siue hoc presens publicum instrumentum, ad humilem rogatum Prelatorum & Cleri prædicti, Sigilli nostri appensione ac signo, nomine, & subscriptione Thomæ Kedman notarij publici, fecimus & iussimus communiri. Dat. dicto ultimo die mensis Februarij, An. Dom. iuxta computationem Ecclesiæ Anglicanæ millesimo quingentesimo octogesimo octauo, Regni-que vestri felicissimi anno tricesimo primo, & nostræ trans. anno sexto.

Wherefore for the true and sure payment of the said Subsidie graunted by the sayd Prelates and Clergy of the sayd Province of Canterburie, according to the tenour, effect and true meaning of the said Instrument: Be it enacted by the Queenes most excellent Maiestie, with the assent of the Lords Spirituall and Temporal, and the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that the said gift, grant, and euery matter, summe of money, petition, provision, clause & sentence in the same Instrument contained, shall stand and be ratified, established & confirmed by the authority of this present Parliament.

And further be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that euery person that shall be appointed to the collection and gathering of the said Subsidies, shall haue full power and authoritie to leuie, take and perceiue the said Subsidie by the authoritie of the censures of the Church, that is to say, by Suspension, Excommunication or Interdiction, and also by sequestration of the frutes and profittes of their Benefices and promotions Spirituall, in whose handes soeuer they bee, and to make sale of the same frutes, without danger of the Lawes of this Realme, or by distresse vpon the possessions of the Farmours or occupiers of the Landes and Tenementes chargeable by the sayde Instrument, for or to the payment of any summe or summes of money to be due by force therof or otherwise, by the discretion of the Collector thereof. And that no repleuie, prohibition or Superedeas shall

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shall be allowed or obeyed for any person or persons making default of the payment of the said Subsidies, contrary to the tenor of the graunt thereof, vntill such time as they haue truly satisfied and contented all such part and portions as to them in that behalfe appertaineth. And that enery such farmour and farmours, their executors and assignes that shall fortune hereafter to be charged to and with the payment of the sayd Subsidie, or any part thereof, shall by the authoritie aforesaid be allowed, and retaine in his hands as much of his yerely rent and farme, as the summe which he shal fortune to pay for his Lord or Leasor shal extend vnto, except that the sayd farmor or farmours, their executors or assignes, by the Lease and graunt that they haue of any part of the lands, tithes, profits, tenements chargeable to the said Subsidie, or by force of any couenant or article therein contained, be bound and charged to pay the same, and therof to discharge the Leasor and Landlord, during the terme mentioned in the sayd Lease.

And likewise be it enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that whereas diuers Curates liable to this Subsidie, being oftentimes remouable, doe serue as well in diuers Impropriations belonging to the Queenes Maestie, as in other spirituall promotions belonging to other persons, that for the speedie recouerie of the sayd Subsidie it may be lawfull to the Collector or Collectors of the sayd Subsidie, their deputie or deputies, to leuie the said Subsidie vpon the farme or farmours or occupiers of all such Impropriations and spirituall promotions, by all censures of the Church aforesaid and euery of them, or by way of distresse of Tithes of the sayd Impropriation or Impropriations and spirituall promotions, or otherwise vpon the goods and chattels of the sayd farmour or farmours and occupiers: in which case no Inhibition, prohibition, repleuie or other proceesse awarded to the contrary shall be obeyed, any Law, statutes, priuileges or customes to the contrary hereof heretofore made, graunted or vsed, or hereafter to be made, granted or vsed to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And that it may be lawfull to the Collectors and the Officers and ministers of such Archbishoppe, Bishoppe Deane and Chapter, for not payment of the sayd Subsidie, after the same shall be due in any of the sayd six peeres, to prise and valure the said distresse or distresses, by two indifferent neighbours by him to be chosen, & the distresse or distresses so prised to sell, and thereof to deteine so much money as shall amount to the summe payable to the Queenes Maestie, with the reasonable charges also of the sayd Collectour sustained in that behalfe, and the rest of the money made of the said distresse to be deliuered and paid to the

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the owner and occupier thereof.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that every lay person having Spiritual promotiō chargeable by this Act, and also having Temporal possessions, goods, chattels and debtes, charged to the sayd Subsidies graunted in this Parliament by the Temporalitie, shall be taxed, charged and set for his sayd spiritual promotions with the Cleargie, and his Temporal possessions and chattels reall with the Temporalitie, and not otherwise: Any thing before mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesayd, that all and every graunt and graunts of all and every summe and summes of money graunted, or which hereafter shall be graunted to the Queenes Maiestie by the Cleargie of the Province of Yorke, shall be of the same strength, force and effect in all things, as the sayd graunt made by the sayd Province of Canterburie, and shall be taxed, certified, collected, leuied, gathered and payd, according to the tenour, forme and effect of this present Acte of Parliament, to all intents, constructions and purposes, in such maner and forme, as though it were specially, plainly and particularly expessed and rehearsed in this present Acte by expresse wordes, termes and sentences in their severall natures and kindes.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesayd, that all provisions before rehearsed, contained or to be contained in the sayd graunt of the Prelates and Cleargie of the Province of Caunterburie, and the like of the same Provisoes hereafter to be contained in the graunt of the Prelates & Cleargie of the Province of Yorke, shall be good and effectuell, and be observed and kept in every point and Article according to the true purport and meaning of the same.

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of two entire Subsidies, and foure
Fifteens and Tenths, graun-
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Most gracious soueraigne, when we enter into due consideration of the most princely and prouident course of gouernment which your most excellent Maiestie hath hitherto held euen since your first entrie into the possession of this Crowne, in preserving this Realme in a perpetual peace and quietnesse, free from all forraigne inuasions, notwithstanding the sundry attempts, aswell by open great forces many times prepared & bent against this Realme, as by continuall practises, conspiracies, and plottes layde by your Highnesse enemies abroad, and by Rebels at home, which manifestly tended not onely to the interruption of the happie peace and repose of vs your humble Subiects & this your Highnesse Realme and other your Dominions, but also to the bitter subuersion thereof and ruine of the same: In all which your Maiesties most noble actions, we haue scene a most notable natural disposition of your Maiestie, at no time to haue attempted by inuasion of any your enemies countries to haue possessed the same, as your Maiestie wee knowe might many times haue done very readily, & also iustly, in respect of the hostile attempts, so often offered both against your owne Royall person and your Dominions. Which course we do certainly know your Maiesty hath followed, in respect that your continuall purpose was to preserve vs in a peace at home, by your prouident maner of defence of your Dominions and Countreys, against open inuadours. And vpon these and many moe like considerations and obseruations of your wise and happie gouernement, wee doe further also consider, howe for the accomplishing of these your honourable and princely actions, the great and infinite

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charges your Maiesty hath sustained, and that especially the last yere, in preparing and mainteining so long time so puissant an army by Sea, besides the forces assembled by land, for the withstanding the two great and mightie armies prepared, the one in the low Countreys, and the other brought forth out of Spaine, with intent by their mightie ioynt forces farre exceeding all others in any memorie of man, to haue made a full bloodie conquest of this Realme, had not the same bene prevented through the singular, yea miraculous goodnes of almightie God, & your Highnesse said great preparations and forces, in charge & puissance aboue all former prepared in this Realme, at any times in our memorie, for the withstanding of the same. We therfore your Maiesties most humble, loyall, and louing Subiects, as well in regarde of the humble duetie we owe vnto your most excellent Maiestie, vnder whose gracious and princely gouernement we haue receyued so many and singular benefits, as well spirituall and tempozall, as also the naturall care we ought to haue of our owne particular preservation, hauing due consideration both of the puissance ioyned with extreeme malice of your Maiesties enemies, which also we haue good cause to thinke to be encreased through the great defeate they receyued in their late enterprises by them accounted intvincible, cannot but present vnto your most excellent Maiestie with all lowlinesse and humilitie, besides the seruice of our bodies, with al our worldly power, some contribution in way of Subsidie, out of our lands and goods, as in part of an acknowledgement of our humble duetie vnto your Highnesse towarde the bearing of some part of the great and infinite charge your Maiestie hath already sustained, and is like hereafter to sustaine, in the withstanding of such forcible and malicious attempts, as it is not to be doubted but that your sayde enemies will doe their vttermoost to put in execution, with the forces and aydes of all their confederates. And for that we doe perceiue, that the graunting onely of such an ordinarie subsidie, to be leuied as hath bene commonly bled in former times of smaller dangers, is in no wise sufficient and answerable, to the vntuall and great charges susteyned & to be susteyned by your Maiestie for these so great actions necessarie to be taken in hand, to withstand such extraordinary forces of so many mightie enemies, as haue bene seene this last yere, both by land & sea, and are by foresight in wisdom to be as greatly doubted, both this yere to come, and in time following (we knowe not how long) vnlesse the almightie God shall be pleased to disappoynt & make frustrate the attemptes of your Maiesties enemies, as at all times hitherunto of his singular fauour hee hath done: Therfore after verie good deliberation, we with our verie prompt and
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voluntarie good willes haue accorded and consented, and by this present Act in Parliament, do with all humilitie yeeld and present to your Maiestie, two entier Subsidies and foure fifteenes and Tenthes, towards your Maiesties charges for our defence, in maner hereafter following. And wee doe also most humbly beseech your Maiestie that it may be enacted by authoritie of this present Parliament, that your Maiestie shall haue foure fifteenes and Tenthes to be payed, taken, and leuied, of the moueable goods, cattels, & other things, vsuall to such fifteenes & Tenthes, to be contributorie & chargeable within the Shires, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, & other places of this your Maiesties Realme, in maner and fourme aforesaid vsed, except the summe of xiiii. thousand pounds thereof fully to bee deducted, that is to say, six thousand pounds of euery of the said whole fifteenes and Tenthes, in reliefe, comfort and discharge of the poore Townes, Cities, and Boroughs of this your said Realme wasted, desolate or destroyed, or ouer greatly impouerished, after such rate as was and hath afoze this time bene had and made to euery Shire. And to bee diuided in such maner and fourme, as heretofore for one whole fifteene & Tenth, hath bene had and diuided. And the said foure fifteenes and Tenthes (the exception and deduction aforesaid therupon had, deducted and allowed) to be payde in maner and fourme following, that is to say, the first whole fifteene and Tenth (except before excepted) to be payde to your Highnesse in the receipt of your Highnesse Exchequer, on or before the tenth day of Nouember next coming. And the said second fifteene and Tenth (except before excepted) to bee payde to your Highnesse in the saide receipt of your Exchequer, on or before the tenth day of Nouember, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand, five hundred, and ninetie. And the said third, fifteene and Tenth (except before excepted) to be payed to your Highnesse in the saide receipt of your Exchequer, on or before the tenth day of Nouember, which shall be in the yere of our Lord God 1591. And the sayde fourth fifteene & Tenth (except before excepted) to be payd to your Highnesse in the sayde receipt of your Exchequer, on or before the tenth day of Nouember, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, 1592.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that the Knights elected & returned, of, and for the Shires within this Realme, for this present Parliament, Citizens of Cities, Burgeses of Boroughs and Townes, where Collectours haue bene vsed to be named & appointed for the collection of any fifteene and Tenth before this time graunted, shall name and appoynt before the tenth day of August next comming, sufficient and able persons to be Collectours, for the collection of the sayde first

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Fifteene and Tenth. And also shall likewise name and appoint before the tenth day of August, which shall bee in the peere of our Lord God, one thousand, five hundred, and ninetie, other sufficient and able persons, to be Collectours for the collection of the second fifteene and Tenth. And also shall likewise name and appoynt before the tenth day of August, which shall bee in the peere of our Lord God, one thousand, five hundred, ninetie and one, other sufficient and able persons to be Collectours for the collection of the third fifteene and Tenth. And also shall likewise name and appoynt before the tenth day of August, which shall be in the peere of our Lord God, one thousand, five hundred, ninetie and two, other sufficient and able persons to be Collectours for the collection of the fourth fifteene & Tenth in euery of the sayde Shires, Cities, Borowghs and Townes: The said persons then hauing lands, tenements & other hereditaments in their owne right, of an estate of inheritance, of the perely value of twentie pounds, or in goods, worth two hundred pounds at the least, after such rate and value as he shall be rated at in the Subsidie booke, if any such be in the sayd limits. And for want of such so assessed, that those shall be appointed Collectours that then shall be rated and taxed in the Subsidie booke, in lands or goods neerest to the values aforesayd.

And also such person and persons so by them to bee named, and appoynted, for the collection of the saide foure fifteenes, and Tenthes, shall bee by them seuerally appoynted and allotted into Hundreds, Rapes, Wapentakes, Cities, Borowghs, and Townes.

And also the said persons so named and appointed for the collection of the said seuerall fifteenes and Tenthes, shall be seuerally charged and chargeable, vpon his or their account or accounts in the Exchequer to bee made, with all such summe or summes of money, as þ Hundreds, rapes, Wapentakes, Cities, Borowghs and Townes, where he or they shall so happen to bee appointed shall amount vnto, & of no more summe or summes: And vpon the payment of such summes of money as hee or they shalbe so charged with, shalbe discharged, and haue his and their Quierus est, the not accounting or non payment of any other his fellowes, or the insufficiencie of them, or any of them notwithstanding. And the names and surnames of euery of the said Collectours, for the sayde first fifteene and Tenth, together with the places allotted to their collection & charge, the said Knights, Citizens, & Burghesses, for the Shires, Cities and Borowghs, whereunto they be allotted, named and returned, shall certifie before the Queenes Maiestie in her Chancerie, before the tenth day of September next comming: And likewise the names and

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and surnames of euery of the saide Collectours so to bee named and appointed for the collection of the said seconde fifteene and Tenth, together with the places allotted to their collection and charge, the sayde Knights, Citizens and Burgesles, shall likewise certifie into the saide Court of Chauncerie before the tenth day of September, which shall be in the yeere of our Lorde God, one thousand, five hundred, & ninetie. And likewise the names and surnames of euery of the said Collectours so to be named and appointed for the collection of the saide thirde fifteene & Tenth, together with the places allotted to their collection and charge, the saide Knights, Citizens and Burgesles shall likewise certifie into the saide Court of Chauncerie, before the tenth day of September, which shall be in the yeere of our Lorde God 1591. And likewise the names and surnames of euery of the said Collectours so to be named and appointed for the collection of the said fourth fifteene and Tenth, together with the places allotted to their collection and charge, the said Knights, Citizens and Burgesles shall likewise certifie into the saide Court of Chauncerie, before the tenth day of September, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God 1592, according to the tenour of this Acte. And if default of any such certifying be had or made in fourme as is aforesaide, then the Lord Chauncellour of England, or Keeper of the great Seale for the time being, shall immediatly after, name and appoint Collectours for the collection of euery of the saide fifteenes and Tenths in such like maner and fourme as the saide Knights of the Shire, Citizens of Cities, and Burgesles of Boroughs should haue done, and as aforesaid hath bene used. The which said Collectours and euery of them so to be named and appointed as is aforesaid, shall haue allowance vpon their accompts for their fees, wages and rewardes for the collection of the saide fifteenes and Tenths, in as large maner and fourme, as any Collectour or Collectours of any fifteene and Tenth, haue had at any season in time past. And that the Barons of the Queenes Exchequer for the time being, shall and may from time to time awarde such proceesse for the speedie payment of the saide seuerall fifteenes and Tenths, against the Collectour or Collectours of the same, as by their discretions shall be thought conuenient.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that the said Lord Chauncellour or Keeper of the great Seale for the time being, Knights of the Shire, Citizens of the Cities, Burgesles of Boroughs, Townes and other places, hauing authoritie by this present Acte to nominate the saide Collectours, of or for the collection of the saide seuerall fifteenes and Tenths, shall vpon their nomination and election had and made, take by authoritie of this present Parliament sub-

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ficient recognizances or obligation, of euery person so by them
 to be named, to be bound to the Queenes Maiestie in the double
 summe of the summe of their collection, and to be indorſed vpon
 ſuch condition, that if the ſame Collectour and Collectours of
 the ſaid firſt fifteene and Tenth, and likewise the Collectour or
 Collectours of the ſaid ſecond fifteene and Tenth, and likewise
 the Collectour or Collectours of the ſaid thirde fifteene and Tenth,
 and likewise the Collectour or Collectours of the ſaide fourth fif-
 teene and Tenth, doe truly content and pay to the ble of the
 Queenes Maiestie in her receipt of Exchequer for the ſaide firſt
 fifteene and Tenth, at or before the ſaid tenth day of Nouember
 next comming, and for the ſaid ſeconde fifteene and Tenth, at or
 before the ſaid tenth day of Nouember, which ſhalbe in the yeere
 of our Lorde God, one thouſand, ſiue hundred & ninetie, and for
 the ſaide thirde fifteene and Tenth, at or before the ſaide tenth
 day of Nouember, which ſhalbe in the yeere of our Lord God one
 thouſand ſiue hundred ninetie and one, and for the ſaide fourth
 fifteene and Tenth, at or before the ſaid tenth day of Nouember,
 which ſhalbe in the yeere of our Lorde God 1592. ſo much of the
 ſaid ſumme of money allotted and appointed to his collection, as
 the ſame Collectour ſhall haue collected and gathered, and doe
 likewise after the ſaide tenth day of Nouember next comming,
 and the ſaide tenth day of Nouember, which ſhall be in the yeere
 of our Lord God, one thouſande ſiue hundred & ninetie, and the
 ſaid tenth day of Nouember which ſhalbe in the yere of our Lord
 God 1591. and the ſaid tenth day of Nouember which ſhalbe in
 the yeere of our Lord God 1592. content & pay to the Queenes
 Maiesties ble at the ſame receipt of the Exchequer, the residue of
 his collection & charge, within one moneth next after ſuch time
 as he ſhall haue gathered & collected the ſame residue, that then
 the ſaid recognizance or obligation to be boyde, or els to ſtande in
 his full ſtrength and power, which recognizance or obligation
 ſo taken, the ſame Knightes of the Shire, Citizens and Burges-
 ſes and euery of them, taking any ſuch recognizance or obligati-
 on, ſhal certifie and deliuer to the Lord Treasourer, and Barons
 of the ſame Exchequer, before the ſame tenth day of Nouember
 next comming, and tenth day of Nouember, which ſhalbe in the
 yeere of our Lord God, one thouſande ſiue hundred and ninetie,
 and tenth day of Nouember, which ſhalbe in the yere of our Lord
 God 1591. and tenth day of Nouember which ſhalbe in the yere
 of our Lord God 1592. vpon paine of forfeiture of tenne pounds
 to the Queenes highneſſe for euery recognizance or obligation
 ſo to be taken and not certified. And that euery ſuch Collectour
 vpon request to him made, ſhall make and knowledg the ſame
 recognizance or obligation accordingly, vpon paine of forfeiture
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of xx. pounds to the Queene for his refusall thereof. And that the Treasourer and Barons of the Exchequer for the time being, upon payment of the said collection at the dayes, shall cancel and deliuer the said recognizance or obligation to the said Collectour or Collectours without any other warrant, and without any fee or reward to be paide to any person for the same.

And furthermore, for the great and waightie considerations aforesaide, we the Lordes Spirituall and Temporall, and the Commons of this present Parliament assembled, doe by our like assent and authoritie of this Parliament, giue & graunt to your highnesse our saide Soueraigne Lady the Queenes Maestie, your heires & successors, two entire Subsidies to be rated, tared, leuied and paid at foure seuerall payments of euery person Spirituall and Temporall, of what estate or degree he or they be of, according to the tenour of this Act, in maner and fourme following, that is to say, as well of euery person borne within this Realme of England, wailes, or other the Queenes Dominions, as of all and euery fraternitie, guild, corporation, mysterie, brotherhood and Comminaltie, corporated or not corporated, within this Realme of England, wailes or other the Queenes Dominions, being worth threepounds, for euery pound as well in coyne, and the value of euery pound, that euery such person, fraternitie, guild, corporation, mysterie, brotherhood and comminalltie corporate or not corporate hath of his or their owne, or any other to his or their vse, as also plate, stocke of marchandize, all maner of corne and graine, houtholde stuffe, and of all other goods moueable, as well within this Realme as without, and of all such summes of money, as to him or them is or shalbe owing, whereof he or they trust in his or their conscience surely to be paide, except and out of the premisses deducted, such summes of money as he or they owe, and in his or their conscience intendeth truely to pay, and except also the apparell of euery such persons, their wiues and children, belonging to their owne bodies, sauing iewels, golde, siluer, stone & pearle, shall pay to and for the first paiment of the said first Subsidie, xx. pence of euery pound, and to and for the second paiment of the saide first Subsidie, xii. pence of euery pound, and to and for the first paiment of the saide second Subsidie, xx. d. of euery pound, and to and for the second paiment of the said second Subsidie, xii. pence of euery pound. And also euery Alien and stranger borne out of the Queenes obeissance, as well denizen as others inhabiting within this Realme, of euery pound that he or they shall haue in coyne, and the value of euery pound in plate, corne, graine, marchandize, houthold stuffe or other goods, iewels, cattels, moueable or immoueable as is aforesaid, as well within this Realme, as with-

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out, and of all summes of money to him or them owing, where-
of he or they trust in his or their conscience to be payd, except and
out of the same premisses deducted, every such summe or summes
of money which he or they doe owe, and in his or their conscience
or consciences intend truly to pay, shall pay of 3 for every pound,
to and for the first payment of the saide first Subsidie, three shil-
lings four pence, and to and for the second payment of the said
first Subsidie, two shillings of every pound, and to and for the
first payment of the saide second Subsidie, three shillings four
pence, and to and for the second payment of the said second Sub-
sidie, two shillings of every pound. And also that every Alien
and stranger borne out of the Queenes Dominions, being De-
nizen or not Denizen, not being contributoie to any the rates
aboue said, and being of the age of seven yeeres or aboue, shall pay
to and for the first payment of the said first Subsidie iiiij. d. and to
and for the second payment of the saide first Subsidie, iiiij. d. for
every pole, and to 3 for the first payment of the said second Subsi-
die iiiij. d. and to 3 for the second payment of the said second Sub-
sidie, iiiij. d. for every pole, and the master or he or she with whom
the same Alien is, or shall be abiding at the time of the taxation or
taxations thereof, to be charged with the same for lacke of pay-
ment thereof.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that eve-
ry person borne vnder the Queenes obeisance, and every corpo-
ration, fraternitie, guild, mysterie, brotherhood and communal-
tie corporate or not corporate, for every pound that every of the
same persons, and every corporation, fraternitie, guild, mysterie,
brotherhood, and communalitie, corporate or not corporate, or
any other to his or their vse, hath in fee simple, fee taile, for
terme of life, terme of yeeres, by execution, wardship, or by copie
of court roll, of and in any honours, castels, mannoirs, lands, tene-
ments, rents, seruices, hereditaments, annuities, fees, corrodies
or other yeerely profit, of the yeerely value of xx. s. as well with-
in ancient demeane and other places privileged, as els where,
and so byward, shall pay to and for the first payment of the saide
first Subsidie, ii. s. viij. d. of and for every pound. And to and for
the second payment of the said first Subsidie, xvi. d. of and for eve-
ry pound, and to and for the first payment of the said second Sub-
sidie ii. s. viij. d. of and for every pound, and to and for the second
payment of the saide seconde Subsidie xvi. d. of and for every
pound. And every Alien Denizen or not Denizen borne out of
the Queenes obeisance, in such case to pay at the first of the saide
payments of the said first Subsidie b. s. iiiij. d. of every pound, and
at the second payment of the said first Subsidie, ii. s. viij. d. of and
for every pound. And that all summes presented and chargeable
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by this Act, either for goods and debts, or either of them, or for lands and tenements, and other the premises, as is in this Act contained, shall be at every of the said payments, set and taxed after the rate and portion, according to the true meaning of this Act, (lands & tenements chargeable to the dimes of the Clear-gie, and peerele wages due to servants for their peerele service, other then the Queenes servants taking peerele wages of five pounds or above, onely excepted & forepysed) And that all plate, copie, Jewels, goods, debts and cattels, personals, being in the rule and custodie of any person or persons to the vse of any corporation, fraternitie, guild, mysterie, brotherhood or any communalitie, being corporate or not corporate, be, and shalbe rated, set & charged by reason of this Act, as the value certified by the presenters of that certificate, of every pound in goods and debts as is abovesaide, And of every pound in lands, tenements, annuities, fees, cottages and other peerele profits as is abovesaid. And the summes that are above rehearsed, set and taxed, to be leuied and taken of them that shall haue such goods in custodie, or otherwise charged for lands, as is before rehearsed, and the same person or persons, and body corporate, by authoritie of this Act, shall be discharged against him or them, that shall or ought to haue the same, at the time of the payment, or deliuerie thereof, or at his otherwise departure from the custodie or possession of the same: Except and alwayes forepysed from the charge and assessment of this Subsidie, all goods, cattels, Jewels and ornaments of Churches and Chappels, which haue bene ordeyned and vsed in Churches or Chappels, for the honour and service of Almighty God. And the first payment of the sayde first Subsidie shall be by authoritie aforesaid taxed, selled and rated, according to this Act, in every Shire, Riding, Lathe, wapentake, Rape, Citie, Borough, Towne & every other place, within this Realme of England and Wales and other the Queenes Dominions, before the first day of October next comming. And the second payment of the saide first Subsidie shall be by the authoritie aforesaid taxed, assessed and rated, before the first day of October, which shall be in the peere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred and ninetie. And the first payment of the said second Subsidie, shalbe by the authoritie aforesaid taxed, selled and rated, according to this Act in every Shire, Riding, Lathe, wapentake, Rape, Citie, Borough, Towne and every other place within this Realme of England and Wales and other the Queenes Dominions, before the first day of October, which shall be in the peere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred ninetie & one. And the second payment of the sayd second Subsidie, shall be by the authoritie aforesaide, taxed, assessed and rated,

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ted, before the first day of October, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred ninety and two. And the particular summes of every Shire, Riding, Borough, Towne and other places aforesayde, with the particular names of such as are chargeable, for and to the first payment of the said first Subsidie to be taxed and set by the Commissioners, to the same to be limited, or two of them at the least, with the names of the hie Collectors, & in the same forme shall be certified into the Queenes Exchequer, before the first day of Nouember next coming. And the particular summes of every Shire, Riding, Borough, Towne and other places aforesayd, with the particular names of such as are chargeable, for and to the second payment of the saide first Subsidie, to be taxed and set by the Commissioners to the same to be limited, or two of them at the least, with the names of the high Collectors: And in the same fourme shall be certified into the Queenes Exchequer, before the first day of Nouember, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand, five hundred and ninety. And the particular summes of every Shire, Riding, Borough, Towne, and other places aforesaid, with the particular names of such as are chargeable, for and to the first payment of the said second Subsidie, to be taxed and set by the Commissioners to the same to be limited, or two of them at the least, with the names of the high Collectors, and in the same fourme shall be certified into the Queenes Exchequer before the first day of Nouember, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred ninety and one. And the particular summes of every Shire, Riding, Borough, Towne and other places aforesayde, with the particular names of such as are chargeable for and to the second payment of the sayd second Subsidie to be taxed and set by the Commissioners, to the same to be limited, or two of them at the least, with the names of the hie Collectors, & in the same fourme shall be certified into the Queenes Exchequer, before the first day of Nouember, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred ninety and two. And the sayde summes in fourme aforesayde to be taxed, to and for the first payment of the said first Subsidie, shall be payde into the Queenes receipt of her Exchequer aforesaid, to the vse of our said Soueraigne Lady, at or before the twelfth day of februarie, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred fourescore and nine. And the saide summes in maner & forme aforesayde, to be taxed for the second payment of the saide first Subsidie, shall be payde into the receipt aforesaid, to the vse aforesayde, at or before the twelfth day of februarie, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand, five hundred and ninety. And the saide summes

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summes in maner and fourme aforesaid to be taxed, for the first payment of the saide second Subsidie, shall be payed into the receipt aforesaid, to the vse aforesaid, at or befoze the twelfth day of februarie, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God 1591. And the sayd summes in maner and fourme aforesaide to be taxed for the second payment of the said second Subsidie, shall be payde into the Receipt aforesaid, to the vse aforesayde, at or befoze the twelfth day of februarie, which shall be in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred ninetie & two. And the summes abovesayde, of and for the sayd Subsidie, shall be taxed, set, asked and demaunded, taken, gathered, leuied, and payde, to the vse of our sayde Soueraigne Lady, her heires and successors, in fourme abovesayde, as wel within the liberties, franchises, Sanctuaries, auncient demesne, and other whatsoever places exempt or not exempt, as without: Except such shires, places and persons, as shall be forerprised in and by this present Act, Any graunt, charter, prescription, vse or libertie, by reason of any letters patents, or other priuiledge, prescription, allowance of the same, or whatsoever other matter of discharge heretofore to the contrary made, graunted, bled or obtained notwithstanding.

And it is further enacted by þe authoritie of this present Parliament, that every such person, as well such as be bozne vnder the Queenes obersance, as every other person, stranger bozne, Denizen or not Denizen, inhabiting within this Realme or within Wales, or other the Queenes Dominions, which at the time of the sayd assellings or taxation, or of euery of them, to be had or made, shall be out of this Realme, or out of Wales, & haue goods, cattels, lands or tenements, fees or annuities, or other profit, within this Realme, or in Wales, shall be charged and chargeable for the same by the Certificate of the inhabitants of the place where such goods, cattels, lands, tenements, or other the premisses then shall be, or in such other place, where such person or his factour, Deputie, or Attourney shall haue his most resort vnto, within this Realme or in Wales, in like maner, as if the sayde person were or had bene at the time of the said asselling within this Realme. And that every person abiding or dwelling within this Realme, or without this Realme, shall be charged or chargeable to the same Subsidies graunted by this Acte, according and after the rate of such yeerely substance, or value of landes or tenements, goods, cattels, and other the premisses, as every person so to be charged shall be set at, at the time of the sayde asselling or taxation vpon him to bee made, and none otherwise.

And further, bee it enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that for the selling & ordering of the saide two Subsidies to be ducly had,

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had, the Lord Chauncellour of England, or the Lord Keeper of the great Seale, the Lorde Treasourer of England, the Lorde Steward of the Queenes Maiesties houlholde, the Lorde Admiral of England, the Lord Chamberlaine of the Queens most Honorable houlhold for the time being, or two of them at least, whereof the Lorde Chauncellour of England, or Keeper of the great Seale for the time being to be one, shall and may name, and appoint of and for euery Shire, Riding, and other places, as well within this Realme, as in Wales, & other the Queenes Dominions, as also of and for euery Citie and Towne, being a Countie of it selfe, and of and for the Isle of Wight, such certaine number of persons of euery of the same shires, Ridings, Lathes, wapentakes, Rapes, Cities, Townes, and Isles of Wight, and euery other place, as they shal thinke conuenient, to be Commissioners of & within the same place, whereof they be inhabitants. And also of & for the Honorable houlhold of the Queenes Maiestie, in what shire or other place the said houlholde shal happen then to be. And the Lorde Chauncellour, or Lord Keeper of the great Seale, and other with him before named, or two of them as is aforesaid, in like maner may name & appoint of euery other such Borough & Townes Corporate, as well in England, as in Wales, and other the Queenes Dominions, as they shal thinke requisite, five, sixe, foure, three or two of the head Officers, and other honest inhabitants of euery the sayd Cities, Boroughs and Townes corporate, according to the number and multitude of the people being in the same. The which persons, if any such be thereunto named, of the said inhabitants of the sayd Boroughs and Townes corporate, not being Counties of themselves, shal be ioyned & put in as Commissioners, with the persons named for such Shires & Ridings, as the sayd Boroughs and Townes corporate, not being Counties in themselves, be set, and haue their being, which persons so named, for & of the said Boroughs and Townes corporate, not being Counties, by reason of their dwelling in the same, shal not take vpon them, nor none of them, to put any part of their Commission in execution for the premises, out of the saide Boroughs and Townes corporate, wherein they be so named only, nor to execute the said Commission, within the Borough or Towne corporate where they be so dwelling, but at such dayes and times, as the saide other Commissioners for the same Shire & Riding, shal thereunto limitte and appoint within the same Borough and Towne corporate, not being a Countie, whereof they bee so named, and not out of such Borough or Towne. And in that maner to be ayding and assisting with the sayde other Commissioners, in and for the good executing of the effect of the sayde Commission, vpon paine of euery of the

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the sayde Commissioners so named for euery such Citie, Borough and Towne corporate, not being a Countie, to make such fine, as the sayde other Commissioners in the Commission of and for the same Shire or Riding so named, or thre of them at the least, shal by their discretion set and certifie into the Queenes Exchequer, there to bee leuied to the vse of the Queenes Maiestie, in like maner, as if such or like summes had bene set and rated, vpon euery such person for the sayde Subsidies: The which Commissioners so named, of and for the said Cities, Boroughes and Townes not being Counties, and onely put into the said Commission, by reason of their dwelling in the same, shall not haue any part of the portion of the fees and rewards of the Commissioners and their Clarke, in this Acte after ward specified and allowed. And the Lorde Chauncellour of England, or the Keeper of the great Seale of England for the time being, shall make and direct out of the Court of the Chauncery vnder the great Seale, seuerall Commissions, that is to say, for euery Shire, Riding, Lathe, Wapentake, Rape, Citie, Towne, Borough, Isle and houtholde, vnto such person and persons, as by his discretion, and any of the other with him before named and appointed, as is before rehearsed, shall be thought sufficient for the selling and leuying of the said two Subsidies, in all Shires and places according to the true meaning of this Acte: which Commission for the first payment of the saide first Subsidie, shall be directed and deliuered to the sayd Commissioners, or to one of them, before the twentieth day of August next comming. And the Commission for the second payment of the said first Subsidie shall be directed and deliuered to the sayde Commissioners, or to one of them, before the twentieth day of August, which shall be in the yere of our Lorde God, one thousand, five hundred, and nintie. And the Commission for the first payment of the said second Subsidie, shalbe directed & deliuered to the said Commissioners or to one of them before the xx. day of August, which shalbe in the yere of our Lord God, 1591. And the Commissio for the second payment of the said second Subsidie shall be directed and deliuered to the said Commissioners or to one of them before the xx. day of August, which shalbe in the yere of our Lord God, 1592. And to euery of the said Commissions, ten scedules containing in them the tenour of this Act, shalbe assiled, by the which Commission, the Commissioners in euery such Commission, named according to this Act, and as many of them as shall bee appointed by the said Commission, shall haue full power and authoritie to put the effect of the same Commission in execution.

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for the execution of their Commission, in Hundreds, Lathes, wards, Rapes, wapentakes, Townes, Parishes, & other places within the limits of their said Commission, in such forme as to the shal seeme expedient, to be ordered, and betweene them to be communed and agreed, according to the tenor & effect of the Commission to them therein directed, vpon which seuerance, euery person of this present Parliament, that shalbe Commissioner, shalbe assigned into the Hundred where he dwelleth.

Provided alwaies, that no person be or shalbe compelled to be any Commissioner, to & for the execution of this present Act, but only in the shire where he dwelleth & inhabiteth. And that any person assigned to the contrary thereof, in any wise shal not be compelled to put in execution the effect of this Act, or any part thereof.

And it is also enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that the Commissioners and euery of them, which shal be named, limited and appointed according to this Act to be Commissioners in euery such Shire, Riding, Lathe, wapentake, Rape, Citie, Towne, Borough, Isle, and the said household, or any other place, and none other, shal truely, effectually, and diligently for their parts execute the effect of this present Act, according to the tenour thereof in euery behalfe, and none other wise, by any other meanes, without omission, fauour, dread, malice or any other thing, to be attempted or done by them, or any of them, to the contrary thereof.

And the said Commissioners, or as many of them as shalbe appointed by the said Commission, & none other, for the execution of the said Commission and Act, shal for the taration of the said first payment of the said first Subsidie, before the last day of August next comming, & for the taration of the said second payment of the said first Subsidie, shal before the last day of August, which shal be in the yeere of our Lord God, 1590. And for the taration of the first payment of the said second Subsidie, shal before the last day of August which shalbe in the yeere of our Lord God, 1591. And for the taration of the second payment of the said second Subsidie, shal before the last day of August, which shalbe in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand, five hundred, ninetie and two, by vertue of the Commission deliuered vnto them in fourme aforesaid, direct their seuerall or ioynt precept or precepts, vnto eight, seven, six, five, foure, three, or two, as for the number of the inhabitants shalbe requisite, of the most substantial, discrete and honest persons, inhabitants, to be named by the said Commissioners, or by as many of them, as shalbe appointed by the said Commission, of & in Hundreds, Lathes, Rapes, wapentakes, wards, Parishes, Townes, & other places, aswel within Liberties, franchises, ancient demesne, places exempted, & Sanctuaries, as without,

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out, within the Limittes of the Shires, Ridings, Lathes, wapentakes, Rapes, Cities, Townes, Borowghes, and Isle aforesayde, and other places within the limits of their Commission, and to the Constables, Subconstables, Bailiffs, & other like Officers & ministers of euery of þe said Hundreds, Townes, wards, Lathes, wapentakes, Parishes, and other places aforesaid, as to the sayde Commissioners, and euery number of them, or vnto thre or two of them, by their discretio in Diuision shall seeme expedient, as by the maner and vse of those parties shalbe requisite, straitly by the said precept charging and commaunding the said inhabitants, Constables and other Officers aforesaid, to whom such precept shalbe so directed, to appeare in their proper persons, before the sayd Commissioners, or such number of them, as they shal deuide themselves, according to the tenour of the said Commission, at certaine daies and places by the sayd Commissioners or any nūber of them, as is aforesaid, within Cities, Borowghs, or Towns corporate, or without in any other places, as is aforesaid, by their discretion shalbe limitedd thereto, to doe and accomplish al that to them, on the partie of the Queenes Maiestie shalbe inioyned, touching this Acte, commanding further by the same precept, that he to whose hands such precepts shal come, shal see & deliuer the same to the other inhabitants or Officers named in the same precept. And that none of them faile to accomplish the same, vpon paine of fourty shillings to be forfeited to the Queenes Maiestie.

And it is further ordeined by the authority of this present Parliament, that at the said day & place prefixed and limited in the said precept, euery of the said Commissioners then being in þe shire, and hauing no sufficient excuse for his absence, at the day & place prefixed for that part whereunto he was limited, shall appeare in his proper person. And there the same Commissioners being present, or as many of them as shalbe appointed by the Queenes Maiesties Commission, shal cal or cause to be called before them, the sayd inhabitants and Officers to whom they haue directed their said precepts, and which had in commaundement there to appeare, by vertue of the said precept. And if any person so warned make default, vnlesse he then be letted by sicknesse or lawfull excuse, & that let then be witnessed by the othes of two credible persons, or if any appearing, refuse to serue in fourme following, the euery such person so making default, or refusing to serue shal forfeit to the Queenes Maiestie fourtie shillings, and so at euery time appoynted by the sayd Commissioners, for the same taxation, vnto such time the number of euery such persōs haue appeared and certified in forme vnder writte, euery of them so making default or refusing so to serue, shall forfeit to the Queenes Maiestie,

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the, fourtie shillings. And vpon the same appearance had, they shall bee charged before the Commissioners, by all conuenient waies and meanes (other then by corporall othe) to enquire of the best and most value of the substance of euery person, dwelling and abiding within the limits of the places that they shal be charged with, and of other which shall haue his or their most resort vnto any of the said places, and chargeable with any summe of money by this Acte of the sayde Subsidies, and of all other things requisite touching the sayde Acte, and according to the intent of the same. And therevpon as neere as it may be, or shall come to their knowledge, without respect of any former taxation heretofore had, truely to present and certifie before the sayd Commissioners, the names and surnames, and the best and uttermost substance and values of euery of them, aswel of Lands, Tenements, and other hereditaments, possessions and profits, as of goods, catels, debtes and other things chargeable by the same Act, without any concealment, loue, fauour, affection, dreade or malice, vpon paine of forfeiture of five pounds or more, to bee taxed, extracted and leuied, in forme as hereafter in this present Act shall be limited or appointed. And therevpon the said Commissioners shall openly there reade, or cause to be read vnto them, the sayd Rates in this Act mentioned, and openly declare the effect of their charge vnto them, in what maner and forme they ought & should make their certificate, according to the rates and summes thereof abouesaide, and of all maner of persons, aswel of Aliens and Strangers, Denizens or not Denizens, inhabiting within this Realme, as of such persons as be borne vnder the Queenes obedience chargeable to this Acte, and of the Possessions, Goods and Cattels of Fraternities, Guilds, Corporations, Brotherhoods, Mysteries, Communitaties, and other as is abouesayd, and of persons being in the partes of beyonde the Seas, hauing goods and Cattels, Lands or Tenements within this Realme as is aforesayd, & of all goods being in the custodie of any person or persons, to the vse of any other as is abouesaid: by the which information and shewing, the sayd persons should haue such plaine knowledge of the true intet of this present Act, and of the maner of their certificate, that the same persons shal haue no reasonable cause to excuse them by ignorance. And after such charge, and the Statute of the sayd Subsidies, and the maner of the sayd certificate to be made in writing, containing the names and surnames of euery person, and whether he be borne without the Queenes obedience or within, and the best value of euery person in euery degree, aswel of the yeerely value of Lands and Tenements and of such like possessions and profits, as the value of Goods & Cattels, Debts, and euery thing to their certificate requisite

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quisite and necessarie to them declared, the sayde Commissioners there being, shal by their discretions appoint and limite vnto the sayde persons, another day and place to appeare before the sayde Commissioners: And charging the said persons, that they in the meane time shal make diligent enquiry by al waies and meanes of the premises, and then and there euery of them vpon paine of forfeiture of fortie shillings to the Queenes Maiestie, to appeare at the sayde newe prefixed day and place, there to certifie vnto the said Commissioners in wryting, according to their sayde charge, and according to the true intent of the sayd graunt of Subsidies, and as to them in maner aforesaide hath bene declared & shewed by the Commissioners: At which day and place so to them prefixed, if any of the said persons make default, or appeare and refuse to make the said certificate, that then euery of them so offending, to forfeit to the Queenes Maiestie fortie shillings, except there be a reasonable excuse of his default by reason of sicknesse, or otherwise by the othes of two credible persons there witnessed, and of such as appeare ready to make certificate as is aforesayde, the sayde Commissioners there being, shall take and receiue the same certificate, and euery part thereof, and the names, values and substance of euery person so certified. And if the sayde Commissioners see cause reasonable, they shall examine the sayde presenters thereof, and thereupon the sayde Commissioners at the sayde dayes and place by their agreement amongst themselves, shall fro time to time there openly prefixe a day at a certaine place or places within the limits of their commission, by their discretion for their further proceeding to the sayde assessing of the same subsidies, and thereupon at the sayde day of the sayde certificate as is aforesaide taken, the same Commissioners shall make their precept or precepts to the Constables, Subconstables, Bailifes, or other officers of such hundreds, wapentakes, townes or other places aforesaide, as the same Commissioners shall be of, comprising & containing in the said precepts, the names and surnames of all persons presented before them in y^e said certificate, of whom if the said Commissioners, or as many of them as shalbe therunto appointed by the Queenes Commission shall then haue beheiment suspect, to be of more greater value or substance in landes, goods, cattels, or summes of money owing to them, or other substance before saide, then vpon such person or persons so certified and specified as aforesayde, the same Commissioners shall make their precept or precepts directed to the Constable, Bailifes or other officers, commaunding the same Constable, Bailifes or other officers to whome such precepts shall be directed, to warne such persons whose names shall bee comprised in the sayde precepts, at their mansions, or to their persons, that the same per-

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sons named in such precepts, and euery of them, shall personally appeare before the said Commissioners, at the same newe prefixed day and place, there to be examined by all wayes & meanes, (other then by corporall othe) by the sayde Commissioners, of their greatest substance & best value, & of all and euery summes of money owing to them and other whatsoever matter concerning the premises, or any of them, according to this Act. At which day and place so prefixed, the sayde Commissioners then and there being, or as many of them, as shall be thereunto appoynted by the Queenes Commission, shall cause to be called the sayde persons whose names shall be comprised in the said precept, as is aforesayde for their examination. And if any of those persons, which shall be warned as is aforesayd, to be examined, which at any time after the warning and before the prefixed day shall be within such place, where he may haue knowledge of his said appearance to be made, make default & appeare not, vnllesse a reasonable cause, or else a reasonable excuse by the othes of two credible persons before the sayde Commissioners, be truly alleadged for his discharge, that then euery of them so making default, to be tared and charged to the Queenes Maiestie, with and at the double summes of the rate that hee should or ought to haue beene set at, for and after the best value of his lands or substance vpon him certified, if he had appeared, by the discretion of the Commissioners there being, which Commissioners shall trauell with euery of the other persons so then & there appearing, whose names shall be expressed in the sayde precept or precepts, and in whome any vehement suspect was or shall be had in fourme aforesaid, by all which wayes and meanes as they can (other then by corporall oth) for the better knowledge of their best value, either in hereditaments or possessions, or els in goods or debtes, and thereupon shall haue power and authoritie by vertue of this Acte, according to their discretions, to enlarge and encrease the taxation of such person, as they shall so finde by due examination to be of greater value or substance in lands or goodes, then they were presented at. And that euery spirituall person at euery of the sayd taxations of the sayde two Subsidies, shall bee rated and set, according to the rate abovesayde, of and for euery pounce that the same Spirituall person, or any other to his vse, hath by discent, bargaine or purchase in fee simple, fee taile, terme of life, terme of yeeres, by execution, by wardship, or by copie of Court roll, in any manors, lands, tenements, rentes, seruices, offices, fees, corrodies, annuities or hereditaments, after the true, iust and yecrely value thereof, and according as other the Queenes Maiesties subiects borne with in this Realme bee charged in fourme aboue remembered, so that

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that it extende to the peereſſe value of twentieth ſhillings or ſhoue.

And it is further enacted, that if the ſaide Taxours or Aſſeſſours, ſhall not duely behaue themſelues in their inquirie, taxation, aſſeſſement or certificate, but ſhall affectionately, corruptly or partially demeane themſelues in that behalfe, in ſuch wiſe that the Commiſſioners ſhall by their conſiderations, deeme them offenders worthy of puniſhment for not doing their duties therein, that then ſoure or more of the Commiſſioners in that Countie for the ſame Subſidie, ſhall haue power and authoritie by their diſcretion, either to charge the ſayde Aſſeſſours vpon their corporall othes, for the better ſeruiſe afoſeſaid in that behalfe, or els by their diſcretions, to take and ſet vpon euery of the ſayd aſſeſſours for their miſdemeanours in that behalfe, ſuch a fine or paine as they ſhall thinke good, ſo that it exceede not the ſumme of tenne poundes, and the ſame fine or payment at their diſcretions to eſtreate into the court of Exchequer, euery which fine ſo taxed and ſet, by ſoure of the ſayd Commiſſioners or more, and being eſtreated with the ſcedule and bookes of that limite, ſhall be leuiſed and answered to the Queenes uſe in lyke maner and forme to all intents & purpoſes, as any other ſummes that ſhalbe taxed and become due by vertue of this ſtatute and Act of ſubſidie, and not in any other wiſe or maner.

And if any perſon certified or rated by vertue of this Act, whether he be a Commiſſioner or other, to any maner of value, doeth finde himſelfe grieved with the ſame preſentment, ſelling or rating, and thereupon complaine to the Commiſſioners befoze whome hee ſhall be called, ſeſſed or taxed, or befoze two of them, befoze the ſame taxation be certified into the Court of Exchequer, that then the ſayde Commiſſioners or two of them, ſhall by all wayes and meanes examine particularly & diſtinctly the perſon ſo complaining, vpon his othe, and other his neighbours by their diſcretions, of euery his landes and tenementes aboue ſpecified, and of euery his goodes, cattels and debtes aboue mentioned. And after due examination and perfect knowledge thereof had and perceiued by the ſayd Commiſſioners, or two of them, which ſhall haue power by authoritie afoſeſaid, the ſayde Commiſſioners or two of them to whome any ſuch complaint ſhalbe made, by their diſcretion, vpon the othe of the ſaid perſon ſo complaining, may abate, defalke, increaſe or enlarge the ſame aſſeſſements, according as it ſhall appeare vnto the iuſt vpon the ſame examination, and the ſame ſumme ſo abated, defalked, increaſed or enlarged, ſhall be by them eſtreated in forme as hereafter inſueth. And if it be prooued by witneſſes or by the parties owne confeſſion, or other lawfull wayes or meanes, within a yeere after any ſuch othe made, that the ſame perſon ſo rated & ſworne,

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was of any better or greater value in landes, goodes or other thinges aboue specified, at the time of his sayde othe, then the same person so swozne did declare vpon his sayde othe, that then every such person so offending, shal lose & forfeite to the Queenes Maiestie, so much lawfull money of England, as he the same person so swozne was set at or tared to paye.

And also it is enacted by the same authoritie, that every person to bee rated at the sayde taxation as is aforesaide, shall be rated, tared and set, and the summe on him set, to be leuied at such place, where he and his familie at the time of the same presentment to be made, shall keepe his house or dwelling, or where he then shall be most conuersant, abiding or resiaunt, or shall haue his most resort at the time of the sayd certificate to bee made, and no where else. And that no Commissioner for these Subsidies shall be rated or tared for his goods or lands, but in the Shire or other place where he shalbe Commissioner. And that if any person chargeable to this Act, at the time of the same assessing, happen to be out of this Realme, and out of Wales, or farre from the place where he shall be knowen: then he to be set, where he was last abiding in this Realme or within Wales, and after the substance, value, and other profitess of every person, to bee knowen by the examinatio, certificate or other maner of wise as is aforesaide. And that the sayde Commissioners, or as many of them as shall bee appoynted by the Queenes Maiesties Commission or Commissions, shall after the rate and rates aforesayd, cause every person so to be set, rated, and tared, according to the rate of the substance and value of his landes, goodes, cattels, and other profitess chargeable by this Acte, whereby the greatest or most best summe or summes according to his most substance, by reason of this Acte, might or may be set or tared.

And that every person tared in any Countie or place other then where he is most resiant, or hath his familie in any County or place, other then where hee is a Commissioner for the Subsidie, if he bee a Commissioner, vpon certificate made to the sayd Court of Exchequer, vnder the hands & seales of two Commissioners for the same Subsidie, in the same Countie or place where such person is most resiant or hath his familie, or where hee is a Commissioner for the taxation & payment of these Subsidies, testifying such his most resiance, hauing of familie, or beeing a Commissioner, shall be a sufficient discharge for the taxation of that person in all other places, and of and for all other summes of money vpon such persons so set and tared, saue onely the taxation made in that Countie or place from which such certificate shall be made as is aforesayd, and for the summe of money vpon such person there assessed or tared. And that such certificate with-
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out any Plea or other circumstance, shall be a sufficient warrant aswel to the Barons and Auditors of the said Court of Exchequer, as to all and every other officers, to whome the allowance thereof shall appertain, paying for such discharge and allowance onely six pence and no more.

Provided alwayes, that every such person which shall be rated or taxed according to the intent and true meaning of this Acte, for payment of and to this Subsidie, for and after the verely value of his landes, tenements and other reall possessions or profits, at any of the sayde tarations, shall not after bee set and rated for his goods and cattels or other mooveable substance at the same taration, and that he that shall be set, charged or taxed for the same Subsidies for his goodes, cattels and other mooveables at any of the sayde tarations, according to the true meaning of this Acte, shall not after be charged, taxed or chargeable for his landes or other reall possessions and profits abovesayde, at the same tarations or any of them, nor that any person by any taration be double charged for the said Subsidies, nor set or taxed at severall places by reason of this Acte: But if any person happen to be double set, taxed or charged, either in one place or at severall places, then he to be discharged of the one taration, and charged with the other, according to the meaning and intent of this Acte, any thing conteyned in this present Acte to the contrarie notwithstanding.

And that it be ordeined and enacted by the sayde authoritie of this present Parliament, that no person having two mansions or two places to resort vnto, or calling himselfe household servaunt, or waiting servaunt to the Queenes Maiestie, or other Lorde or Ladie, Maister or Maistres, be excused vpon his saying, from the taxes of the sayde Subsidies, in neither of the places where hee may be set or taxed, vnlesse he bring a certificate in writing from the Commissioners where that he is so set or taxed in deede at one place. And if any person that ought to bee set and taxed to these present Subsidies, by reason of his remooving or resorting to two places, or by reason of his saying that hee els where was taxed, or by reason of any Priviledge of his dwelling or abiding in any place, not being foreprised in this Act, or otherwise by his couin or craft, or by any wordes or sayings or otherwise: or if any that is a Commissioner or Assessor of others happen to escape from the sayde tarations for the payment of these Subsidies, or any of them, and be not set & taxed, according to the true intent of this Acte, and that prooued by presentment, examination, information or otherwise before the sayde Commissioners or two of them, or before the Barons of the Queenes Maiesties Exchequer, or two Justices of the Peace, of the Countie where such person

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son dwelleth : Then every such person that by such meanes or otherwise willingly by couin or without iust cause, shall happen to escape from the sayde tarations or payments aforesaid, or any of them, and shall not be rated, tared and set, shall be charged vpon the knowledge and prooffe thereof, with, and at the double value of so much as he should, might or ought to haue bene set and tared at by vertue of this Acte. And the same double value, to be leuied, gathered and paide, of his goods and Chattels, Landes and Tenements, towarde the sayd Subsidies, and further to be punished according to the discretions of the Barons, Iustices and Commissioners, before whome he shall be conuicted for his offence and deceit in that behalfe.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesayd, that the sayde Commissioners in euery Commission, which shal be or inhabite in any Countie or place within the limits of their Commission, or the more part of them, shal haue full power and authoritie by this Acte, to set, tare and selle euery other Commissioner ioyned with them in euery such Commission, and the said Commissioners within euery diuision shall also assele euery Assessor within their diuision, for his or their Goodes, Landes and other the premises as is abouesayde : By the which sayd Commission the sayde Commissioners to whome it shall appertaine, shall indifferently set, tare and assele themselves and the said Assessors, and that as well the summes vpon euery of the sayde Commissioners & Assessors so selled, rated and tared, as the summes made and presented by the Presenters, as is abouesayde, shall be written, certified, set & estreated, and the estreates thereof to be made with other the inhabitantes of that partes, within the limites of the same Commission and diuision, so to be gathered and leuied, in like maner as it ought or shoulde haue bene, if the sayde Commissioners had not bene in the sayd Commission. And that all persons of the estate of a Baron or Barons, and euery estate aboue, shal be charged with their freehold and value as is aforesaid, by the Chancelor or Lord keeper of the great Seale of Englande, the high Treasurer of England for the time being, or one of them, together with other such persons as by the Queenes Maiesties authoritie or commaundement shalbe named and appointed, and they to be charged for the sayde seueral payments of the said Subsidies after & forme of the said grant according to the taration aforesaid. And the summe of and vpon them to be set and tared, with the names of the collectors appointed for the gathering & paying of the same, to be estreated, deliuered & certified at dates & places aboue specified, by the lord Chancelor or keeper of the great seale, and lord Treasurer or one of them, together with other such persons as thereunto shall be named, as is aforesaid.

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And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that after the taxes & assesses of the said summes upon & by the said assessing & certificate as is aforesaid made, the said Commissioners or as many of the as shalbe thereunto appointed, & haue authoritie by the Queenes Maiesties Commission, shal with al speede, & without delay by their writing, estreat the said tax thereof, vnder the seales & signes manueel of the said Commissioners, or as many of them as shalbe appointed at the least. And the same shal deliuer vnto sufficient and substantial inhabitants, Constables, Subconstables, Bailiffs & other officers soyntly of Hundreds, Townes, Parishes and other places aforesaid within their limits, and to other sufficient persons inhabitants of the same, onely by the discretion of the said Commissioners, with the assent of the high Collector, and as the place & parties shall require, aswel the particular names and surnames, as the remembrance of all the summes of money taxed and set, of and vpon every person aswell man as woman chargeable to this Act, householders & all other inhabitantes and dwellers within the saide Parishes, Townes & places contributory to this Act of Subsidie. By authoritie of which writing & estreat so deliuered, the saide officers and other persons so named and deputed, severally shal haue ful power and authoritie by vertue of this Act, immediatly after the deliuerie of the said writing or estreate, to demanda, leuie and gather of every person therein specified, the summe and summes in the same writing or estreate comprised: And for non payment thereof, to distreine the same person or persons so being behinde by their goods & cattels, and the distresse so taken to keepe by the space of eight dayes, at the costes & charges of the owner thereof. And if the said owner do not pay such summe of money as shal be taxed by authoritie of this Acte within the same eight dayes, then the same distresse to be appraised by foure, three or two of the inhabitants where such distresse is taken, and also then to be solde by the Constable or other Collectors for the payment of the said money, and the ouerplus coming of the sale and keeping thereof (if any be) to be immediatly restored to the owner of the same distresse, which sayd Officers and other persons so deputed to aske, take, gather and leuie the sayd summes, shal answere and be charged for the portion onely to them assigned and limited to be gathered, leuied and comprised in the sayd writing or estreate so to them as is aforesaid deliuered, to the vse of our Soueraigne Ladie the Queenes Maiestie, and her heires and successors, and the sayde summe in that writing or estreate comprised, to paie vnto the high Collector or Collectors of that place, for the collection of the same in manner and forme vnder written, thereunto to be named and deputed, and the same inhabitants & officers so gathering the same particular

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ticular summes, for their Collection thereof, shall retaine for every twentie shillings so by them receiued and payde, two pence. And that to be allowed at the payment of their collection by the to be made, to the high Collectoꝝ oꝝ Collectoꝝs.

And further be it enacted by the sayde authoritie, that the said Commissioners oꝝ the moze part of them, as shall take vpon them the execution and businesse of the sayde Commission, shall for every of the sayde payments of the said Subsidies, name such sufficient and able persons, which then shall haue and possesse landes & other hereditaments in their owne right, of the cleare pecerly value of fourtie poundes, oꝝ goods to the value of foure hundred poundes at the least, as he shalbe tared in the Subsidie booke, if any such be in the saide limites, and for want of such so assessed, then those to be appointed Collectoꝝs that then shall be sufficient, and rated and tared in the Subsidie booke in lands oꝝ goods neerest to the values aforesaid, as by their discretions shall be thought good, in Shires, Ridings, Lathes, wapentakes, Rapes, Cities, Townes corporate, and other whatsoever places as well within places prouided as without, not being soe expressed within this Act to be high Collectoꝝs, and to haue the collection and receipt of the sayd summes set, and leuiable within the precinct, limits and boundes where they shalbe so limited and appointed to be high Collectoꝝs. And to every of the sayd collectoꝝs so severally named, the sayd Commissioners oꝝ two of them at the least, with all speede & without delay after the saide whole summe of any payment of the sayde Subsidies be set by all the limits of the same their Commission, oꝝ in such limits as the high Collectoꝝs shalbe so severally assigned: shall vnder their seales and signe manuell, deliuer one estreate indented in parchment, comprising in it the names of all such persons as were assigned to leuie the saide particular summes and the summes of every Hundred, wapentake, Towne and other place aforesaide, with the names and surnames of the persons so chargeable, according to the estreate so first thereof made and deliuered as is aforesaide. And the Collectoꝝs so to be assigned, shall be charged to answer the whole summe comprised in the sayde estreate limited to his collection as is aforesayde.

Provided alwaies and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Commissioners, hauing authority by this Act to name and nominate the said high Collectoꝝs of either of the said Subsidies, shal immediately vpon their nomination & election take by authority of this present Parliamēt, sufficient recognizances oꝝ obligations, without any fee oꝝ rewarde to be payde therefore, of every person so by them to bee named, to be high collectoꝝ, to be bounde to the Queenes Maiestie in the double summe of the summe

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summe of his collection, and to be indorsed and made vpon such condition, that is to say, for the collection of the said first payment of the said first Subsidie: That if the saide Collector, his heires or Executors doe truely content and paye to the vse of the Queenes Maiestie, her heires or successours, in the receipt of the sayd Exchequer, at or before the saide twelfth day of february, which shalbe in the yeere of our Lorde God 1589. so much of the saide summe of money allotted and appoynted to his collection, as hee shall collect and gather, and content and pay the residue of his collection and charge within one moneth next after such time as hee hath gathered and collected the same residue, that then the sayde recognizances or obligations to bee voyde, or els to stand in full strength and vertue. And for the collection of the seconde payment of the sayde first Subsidie, vpon condition that if the sayde Collector, his heires or Executors doe truely content and pay to the vse of the Queenes Maiestie, her heires or successours, in her receipt of the Exchequer, at or before the sayde twelfth day of february, which shall be in the yeere of our Lorde God, one thousand five hundred and ninetie, so much of the sayde summe of money allotted and appoynted to his collection, as hee shall collect and gather, and content and pay the residue of his collection and charge, within one moneth next after such time as hee hath gathered and collected the same residue, that then the said recognizances or obligations to be voyde, or els to stande in full strength and vertue. And for the collection of the sayde first payment of the sayde second Subsidie, vpon condition that if the saide Collector, his heires or executors doe truely content, and pay to the vse of the Queenes Maiestie, her heires or successours, in her receipt of Exchequer, at or before the said twelfth day of february, which shalbe in the yeere of our Lorde God 1591. so much of the saide summe of money allotted and appointed to his collection, as hee shall collect and gather, and content and pay the residue of his collection and charge, within one moneth next after such time as hee hath gathered and collected the same residue: That then the sayde Recognizances or obligations to bee voyde, or else to stande in full strength and vertue. And for the collection of the sayde seconde payment of the sayde seconde Subsidie, vpon condition that if the sayde Collector, his heires or executors, doe truely content and pay to the vse of the Queenes Maiestie, her heires or successours, in her receipt of Exchequer, at or before the sayde twelfth day of february, which shalbe in the yeere of our Lorde God 1592. so much of the said summe of money, allotted and appoynted to his collection, as hee shall collect and gather, and content and pay the residue of his

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collection and charge within one moneth next after such time as hee hath gathered and collected the same residue : that then the sayde Recognizaunce or obligation to be voyde, or else to stande in full strength and vertue. which sayde seuerall recognizaunces or obligations so taken, the sayde Commissioners shall seuerally certifie and deliuer into the Queenes Maiesties Exchequer, with the seuerall certificates of the said taxations and rates of the payment of the saide true Subsidies, at and by the time to them prescribed and appoynted by this Act, for the certificate of the said seuerall taxations of the said Subsidie, vpon paine of forfaiture of tenne poundes to the Queenes Maiestie for every recognizaunce or obligation not certified. And that euery such Collector so elected, named and chosen by request to him made, shall knowlege and make the saide recognizaunce or obligation vpon payne and forfaiture of twentie poundes to the Queenes Maiestie for the refusall thereof. And that the Treasurer & Barons of the Exchequer for the time being, vpon payment of the saide seuerall collections of the sayde Subsidies, at the dayes & times herein limited for the paiement thereof, shall cancell & deliuer the recognizances or obligations for the payment thereof, to the Collector or Collectors, without any other warrant, and without any fee or reward to be paid for the same to any person. And euery Collector so deputed, hauing the said estreate in parchment as is aforesaid, shall haue authoritie by this Acte to appoint daies and places within the circuite of his collection, for the paiement of the said Subsidies, to him to be made, and thereof to giue warning by proclamation, or otherwise to all the Constables or other persons or inhabitants hauing the charge of the particular collection within the Hundreds, Parishes, townes or other places by him or them limited, to make paiement for the saide particular collection of euery summe, as to them shal appertaine. And if at the same day and place so limited and prescribed by the said hie collector, the said constable, officers, or other persons, or inhabitants as is aforesaid, for the said particular collection assigned and appointed within such Hundred, Citie, Towne or other place, doe not pay vnto the said hie collectors the summe within their seuerall Hundreds, Townes, Parishes and other places due and comprised in the said estreate thereof to them deliuered by the saide Commissioners or some of them as is aforesaid, or so much thereof as they haue by any meanes received (two pence for euery pound for the saide particular collection as is aforesaid, alwaies thereof to be allowed, excepted & abated) that then it shalbe lawfull to the said high collectors and euery of them, & to their assignes, to disfreine euery of the said constables, officers and other inhabitants, for their saide seuerall and particular

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cular collection of the said summes comprised in the sayd estreate and writing thereof, to them and euery of them as is before expressed, deliuered, or for so much of the same summe as so then shal happen to be gathered and leuied, and behinde and vnpaide, by the goods and cattels of euery of them so being behinde, and the distresse so taken to be kept, appraised and sold as is aforesaid, and thereof to take and leuie the summes so then being behinde and vnpaide: And the ouerplus comming of the sale of the said distresse (if any be) to be restozed and deliuered vnto the owner in forme aboue remembred.

Provided alwaies and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no person or persons shalbe nominated or appointed to be a high Collector or Collectors for the second paiement of any fifteenth, Tenth or Subsidies, graunted by this Acte, which before that time hath beene a Collector or Collectors for the first paiement of any part of the same fifteenth, Tenth, or Subsidies, vnlesse such person or persons so to be nominated and appointed high Collector or Collectors for the said second paiement, doe first shewe forth before him or them by whom hee shalbe so nominated & appointed his (quietus est) for the discharge of his collection before appointed to his charge, vpon paine of one hundred pounds to be paid and forfeited by him or them that so shall nominate and appoint any such Collector contrary to this present Acte.

Provided alwaies, that no person inhabiting in any Citie, Borough, or Towne corporate, shall be compelled to be any assessor, or collector of or for any part of the saide Subsidies in any place or places out of the saide Citie, Borough or Towne corporate where he dwelleth.

And it is also by the saide authoritie enacted, that if any inhabitantes or officer, or whatsoever person or persons, charged to and for the collection and receipt of any part or portion of the said Subsidies, by any maner of meanes according to this Acte, or any person or persons for themselves, or as keeper, gardian, deputie, factor or attorney, of or for any other person or persons of any goods and cattels of the owner thereof, at the time of the said assessing to bee paide, being out of this Realme, or in any other partes not knowen, or of and for the goods and cattels of any other person or persons of any Corporation, Fraternity, Mystery, or other whatsoever Communitie, being corporate or not corporate, and all persons hauing in their rule, gouernance and custodie, any goods or cattels at the time of the said assessing, or any of them to be made, or which for any cause, for and by collection, or for himselfe, or for any other, or by reason that he hath the rule, gouernance or custodie of any goods or cattels of any other person or persons, Corporation, Communitie, Fraternity, Guilde

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02 Myllery, 02 any such other like, 02 as factor, Deputy 02 Attorney, of 02 for any person, shalbe tared, rated, valued and set to any summe 02 summes by reason of this Acte, and after the taration 02 assessing vpon any such person 02 persons as shal bee charged with the receipt of the same, happen to die 02 depart from the place to where hee was so tared and set, 02 his goods 02 cattels be so eloynd, 02 in such priuie and couert maner kept, as the said person 02 persons charged with the same by estreats 02 other writings from the saide Commissioners, 02 as many of them as shal be thereunto appointed by the said Commission as is aforesaide, can, ne may leuie the same summe 02 summes comprised within the same estreats, by distresse within the limittes of their collection as is aforesaid, 02 cannot sell such distresse 02 distresses as be taken for any of the said payments, befoze the time limited to the high Collecto: for his payment to be made in the Queenes Maiesties receipt, then vpon relation therof, with due examination by the othe 02 examination of such person 02 persons as shal be charged with, and for þ receipt and collection of the same, befoze the said Commissioners, 02 as many of them as by the saide Commission shalbe thereunto appointed, where such person 02 persons 02 other as is aforesaid, their goods and cattels were set and tared. And vpon plaine certificate thereof made in the Queenes Maiesties Exchequer by the same Commissioners, aswell of the dwelling place, names and summes of the said persons of whome the said summes can not be leuied and had, as is aforesaid, then aswell the Constables and other inhabitants appointed for the same particular collection against þ high Collecto:rs, as the high Collecto: vpon his accompt and othe in the said Exchequer to be discharged thereof: And proesse to be made for the Queenes Maiestie out of the said Exchequer, by the discreti- on of the Barons of the said Exchequer, against such person, his heires 02 executo:rs, so being behind with his payment. And ouer that, the same Commissioners, to whom any such declaration of the premisses shalbe made in forme aforesaide, from time to time shall haue full power and authoritie to direct their precept 02 precepts vnto the said person 02 persons charged with any summe of, for and vpon any such person & persons 02 other as is aforesaide, 02 to any Shiriffe, Steward, Bailiffe, 02 other whatsoever Officer, minister, person 02 persons of such place 02 places, where any such person 02 persons so owing such summe 02 summes, shal haue Landes and Tenements 02 other hereditaments, 02 reall possessions, goods and cattels, whereby any such person 02 persons, so indebted, his heires, executo:rs 02 assignes, 02 other ha- uing the custodie, gouernance 02 dispositiõ of any goods, cattels, landes 02 tenements 02 other hereditaments, which ought 02
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may by this act lawfully be distreined or taken for the same, hath and shall haue goods, cattels, landes, tenements or other possessions, whereof such summe or summes which by any such person or persons may or ought to be leuied, be it within the limittes of such Commission, where such person or persons was or were taxed, or without in any place within this Realme of Englands, Wales, or other the Queenes Maiesties Dominions, Marches or territories, by which precept, aswel such person or persons shall be charged to leuie such money as the Officer of the place or places where such distresse may be taken, shall haue full power & authoritie to distreine euery such person indebted, charged or chargeable by this Acte, or his executors or administrators of his goods and cattels, his Guardians, Factors, Deputies, Leasles, Farmers and Assignes, and all other persons by whose hands or out of whose lands any such person should haue fee, rent, annuities or other profite, or which at the time of the said assessing, shall haue goods or cattels, or any other thing moueable of any such person or persons, being indebted or owing such summe, and the distresses so taken, cause to be kept, appraised and sold in like manner and forme as is aforesaide, for the distresse to be taken vpon such persons to be taxed to the said subsidies, & being sufficient to distreine within the limittes of the Collectors, inhabitants, or other Officers charged with or for the said summes so vpon them to be taxed. And if any such distresse for non payment happen to be taken out of the limit of the said persons charged & assigned to leuie the same, the persons so charged for the leuie of any such summes by distresse, shall perceiue and take of the same distresse, for the labour of euery person going for the execution thereof, for euery mile that any such person so laboureth for & same, ii. pence. And euery farmer, tenant, Guardian, factor or other whatsoever person, being distreined, or otherwise charged for payment of any such summe or summes, or any other summe by reason of this Acte, shall be of such summe or summes of him or them so leuied & taken, discharged and acquitted at his next day of payment of the same, or at the deliuerie of such goods and cattels as he that is so distreined, had in his custody or gouernance, against him or them that shall be so taxed and set, any graunt or writing obligatorie, or other whatsoever matter to the contrary made heerebefore notwithstanding.

And if any such person that shoulde be so distreined, haue no Lands or tenements sufficient, whereby he and his Tenants, & farmers may be distreined, or haue aliened, elopned or hidde his goods & cattels, whereby he should or might be distreined, in such maner that such goods & cattels should not be knowen or found, so that the summe of or by him to be payde in the said fourme, shall

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ne can bee conveniently leuied, then vpon relation thereof to the Commissioners, or to as many of them as by the sayde Commission shall be thereunto appointed, where such person or persons was tared and set by the othes of him or them that shall be charged with the leuie and payment of that summe or summes: The same Commissioners shal make a precept in such maner as is aforesaid, for to attache, take and arrest the body of such person or persons, that ought to pay the said summes, and by this Acte shall be charged with and for the saide summe and summes, and them so taken, safely to keepe in prison within the Shire or other place, where any such person or persons shal be taken and attached, there to remaine without baile or maineprie, vntill he hath payde the saide summe or summes, that such person for him selfe or for any other by this Acte, shalbe chargeable or ought to bee charged withall, and also for the fees of euery such arrest, to him or them that shall execute such precept, twentie pence: And that euery Officer vnto whome such precept shall be directed, do his true diligence, and execute the same vpon euery person so being indebted, vpon paine to forfeit to þe Queenes Maiestie for euery default in that behalfe, twentie shillings: And that no keeper of any gaole, from his gaole suffer any such person to goe at large, by letting to baile, or other wise to depart out of his prison, before he haue payd his said debt, & the said twentie pence for the said arrest, vpon paine to forfeite to the Queenes Maiestie fortie shillings: And the same gaoler to pay to the Queenes Maiestie the double value, as well of the rate, which the said person so imprisoned was tared at, as of the saide twentie pence for the fees: And like proces & remedy in like forme shalbe granted by the said Commissioners, or as many of them as by the saide Commission shalbe thereunto appointed, at like information of euery person or persons being charged with any summe of money for any other person or persons by reason of þe said Subsidies, & not thereof paid, but wilfully withdrawen, nor the same leuiable within the limits where such persons were thereunto tared. And if the summe or summes being behinde vnpayde by any person or persons as is aforesaid, be leuied & gathered by force of the said proces to be made by the said Commissioners, or if in default or for lacke of payment thereof, the person or persons so owing the said summe or summes of money, by proces of the same Commissioners to be made as is aforesaid, be committed to prison in forme abouesaid, that then the said Commissioners, which shall awarde such processe, shall make certificate thereof in the saide Exchequer of that shall be done in the premisses, in the terme next following after such summe or summes of money, so being behind, shalbe leuied & gathered, or such person or persons for non paymēt of the same, committed

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committed to prison. And if it happen any of the saide Collectours to be assigned, or any Maiors, Sheriffes, Stewards, Constables, the Hedborough, Burtholder, Bayliffe, or any other officer or minister, or other whatsoever person or persons, to disobey the saide Commissioners, or any of them in the reasonable request to them made by the said Commissioners, for execution of the sayde Commission, or if any of the officers or other persons doe refuse that to them shall appertaine & belong to do, by reason of any precept to him or them to be directed, or any reasonable commaundement, instance or request touching the premises, or other default in any apparance or collection to make, or if any person being suspect not to be indifferently taxed as is aforesaid, do refuse to be examined according to the tenor of this Act before the saide Commissioners, or as many of them as shall be therunto assigned, as is aforesaid, or wil not appeare before the same Commissioners, upon warning to him made, or els make resistance or rescous upon any distresse upon him to be taken for any parcell of the sayde Subsidies, or commit any misbehaviour in any maner of wise, contrary to this Act, or commit any wilfull omission or other whatsoever wilfull not doing or misdoing contrary to the tenor of this Act or graunt: The same Commissioners, and euery number of them aboue remembred or two of them at the least, upon probable knowledge of any such misdemeanoers had, by information or examination, shall & may set upon euery such offender for euery such offence in the name of a fine, by the same offender to be forfeited, forty shillings or vnder, by discretion of the same Commissioners: And further the same Commissioners & euery number of them or two of them at the least, shall haue authoritie by this present Act, to punish euery such offender by imprisonment, thereto remaine and to be deliuered by their discretion, as shall seeme to them conuenient, the said fines if any such be, to be certified by the said Commissioners that so assessed the same, into the Queenes Maiesties said Exchequer, there to be leuied and payd by the Collectours of that parties for the said Subsidies, returned into the saide Exchequer, to be therewith charged with the payment of the said Subsidies, in such maner as if the said fines had bin set and tared upon the said offenders for the said Subsidies.

And it is also enacted by the said authoritie of this present Parliament, that euery of the said high Collectours, which shall account for any part of þ said Subsidies in the said Exchequer upon their seuerall accompts to be peelden, shall be allowed at euerie of the said payments of the said Subsidies, for euery pound limited to his collection, whereof any such Collectour shall be charged and peelde account, six pence, as parcell of their charge, that is to say, of euery pounce thereof for such person as then haue had

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the particular collection of the Townes and other places as is aforesaide, specified in his collection, two pence, and other two pence of euery pound thereof, euery of the saide chiefe Collectours or their accomptantes to retaine to their owne vse, for their labour and charge in and about the premises, and two pence of euery pound residue, to be deliuered, allowed and payde, by the sayd Collectour so being thereof allowed, to such of the Commissioners as shall take vpon them the businesse and labour for and about the premises: that is to say, Euery Collectour to pay that Commissioner or Commissioners which had the ordering of the writings of and for either of the said Subsidies, where the sayde Collectour or Collectours had their collection, for the expences for the said Commissioners, so taking vpon them the said businesse & labour of their Clarke writing the saide precepts and extractes of the said collections, the same last two pence of euery pounce to be diuided amongst the said Commissioners hauing regard to their labour and businesse taken by them and their sayd Clarke, in, & about the premises, for which part, so to the said Commissioners appertaining, the saide Commissioners, sixe, five, foure, three or two, or as many of them as shal be thereunto appointed by the Queens Maiesties Commission, and euery of them iointly and seuerally, for his and their said part, may haue his remedie against the saide Collectour or Collectours, which thereof bene or might haue bene allowed, by action of debt, in which the defendant shall not wage his lawe, neither protection, neither iniunction or esoyne shall be allowed: And that no person now being of the number of the company of this present Parliament, nor any Commissioner shall be named or assigned to be any Collectour or Subcollectour or Presentour of the saide Subsidies, or of any part thereof, nor no Commissioners shall be compelled to make any presentment or certificate other then in the Queenes Maiesties saide Exchequer, of, for or concerning the saide Subsidies, or any part, or parcell thereof. And likewise that no other person that shall be named and assigned to be Commissioners in any place, to and for the execution of this Act of Subsidie, be or shall be assigned or named head Collectour of any of the payments of the sayde Subsidies, neither of any part thereof. And that euery such person or persons which shall be named and appoynted as is aforesaid, to be head Collectours of and for the first payment of the first Subsidie or of any part thereof, shall not be compelled to be Collectour for the second payment of the same Subsidie, nor for any part thereof. And he that shall be named or appoynted as aforesaide to be Collectour for the first payment of the saide second Subsidie or of any part thereof, shall not be compelled to be Collectour for the second payment of the same Subsidie,

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die, or of any part thereof, &c. And the said Collectors which shalbe assigned for the collection of the saide two Subsidies, or for any part thereof, and euery of them, be & shal be acquitted and discharged of all maner fees, Rewards, and of euery other charges in the Queenes Maiesties Exchequer, or elsewhere, of them or any of them, by reason of that collection, payment or accounts, or any thing concerning the same to be asked. And that if any person receiue or take any fees, Rewards or pleasures, of any such accōptant, or vse any vnnecessarie delay in their account, that then he shall forfeit to the Queenes Maiestie for euery penny or value of euery peny or peny worth so taken, five shillings, & five poundes to the partie grieved, for euery such delay, and suffer imprisonment at the Queenes Maiesties pleasure. And after ech taring and assessing of the said seuerall Subsidies (as is aforesaid) had or made, & the said extracts thereof in parchment, vnto the Collector in maner & forme before rehearsed, deliuered: the saide Commissioners which shall take vpon them the execution of this Act within the limits of their Commission, by their agreements shal haue meeting together, at which meeting euery of the said Commissioners, which then shall haue taken vpon them the executiō of any part of the said Commission, shall by himselfe or his sufficient deputie, truely certifie and bring forth vnto the sayde Commissioners named in the said Commission, the certificat and presentment made before him & such other Commissioners as were limited with him in one limit, so that the same certificate may be accounted and cast with the other certificates of the other limits within the same Commission, and then the saide Commissioners and euery number of them, vnto two at the least as is aforesaide, if any be in life, or their executors or administrators of their goods, if they then be dead, shall iointly & seuerally as they were diuided within their limits, vnder their Seales, by their discretion make one or seuerall writings indented, cōteining in it, aswel the names of the said Collectors by the Commissioners, for such collection and accounts in the Exchequer, and payment in the same receipt, deputed and assigned, as the grosse and seueral summes, written vnto euery such Collectours to receiue the saide Subsidies, and also all fines, amerciaments, and other forfeitures, if any such by reason of this Act happē to be within the precinct and limit of their Commission, to be certified into the Queenes Maiesties said Exchequer, by the said Commissioners. In which writing or writings indented so to be certified, shall be plainly declared and expressed the whole and entier summe or summes of the said Subsidies, seuerally limited to the collectiō of the saide Collectors seuerally deputed and assigned to the collection of the said summes. So that none of the saide Collectors
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So certified in the saide Erchequer, shall be compelled there to account oꝛ to be charged, but onely to and foꝛ the summes limited to his collection, and not to oꝛ foꝛ any summe, limited to the collection of his fellow: But euery of them shalbe seuerally charged foꝛ their part limited to their collection. And if the said Commissioners ioyned in one Commission amongst themselves, in that matter cannot agree, oꝛ if any of them be not ready, oꝛ refuse to make certificat with other of the same Commissioners, that then the said Commissioners may make seuerall Indentures in forme aforesaide of their seuerall limits oꝛ separations of Collectours within the limits of their Commission, vpon & in the Hundreds, Wards, Wapentakes, Lathes, Rapes oꝛ such other like Diuisions, within their said seuerall limits of their Commission, as the places there shall require to be seuered and diuided, and as to the same Commissioners shall seeme good to make diuisions of their limits oꝛ collections, foꝛ the seuerall charges of the same Collectours, so that alway one Collectoꝛ shall be charged, and account foꝛ his part to him to be limited onely by himselfe, and not foꝛ any summe limited to the part of any of his fellowes: And the charges of euery of the Collectours to be set and certified seuerally vpon them. And euery such Collectour vpon his account and payment of the summe of mony limited within his collection, to be seuerally by himselfe acquitted & discharged in the said Erchequer, without paying any maner fees oꝛ rewards to any person oꝛ persons foꝛ the same, vpon paine and penaltie last abouesayd, and not to be charged foꝛ any portion of any other Collectour. And if any Commissioner after he hath taken certificat of them that as is aforesaide shall be before any such Commissioners examined, and the summes rated and set, and the bookes & writings thereof being in his hands, oꝛ if any Collectour oꝛ other person charged with any receipt of any part of the saide Subsidies, oꝛ any other person tared oꝛ otherwise by this Act charged with and foꝛ any parcell of the said Subsidies, oꝛ with any other summe, fine, amerciamment, penalty, oꝛ other forfeiture, happen to die before the Commissioners, Collectours, oꝛ other whatsoeuer person oꝛ persons, haue erecuted, accomplished, satisfied oꝛ sufficiently discharged that which to euery such person shall appertaine oꝛ belong to do according to this Act: Then the erecutors and heires of euery such person, and all other seised of any Lands and Tenements, that any such person being charged by this Act, & deceassing before he be discharged thereof, oꝛ any other to his vse onely, had of estate of inheritance at the time that any such person was named Commissioner, Collectour oꝛ otherwise charged with oꝛ foꝛ any maner of thing to be done, satisfied oꝛ payde by reason of this Act, and all those that haue in their possessions oꝛ hands, any Goods, Cattel,

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Cattels, Leases or other things that were to any such person or persons, at the time of his death, or any Landes or Tenements, that were the same persons at the time hee was as is aforesaid charged by this Act, shall be by the same compelled, and charged to doe, and accomplish in euery case, as the same person so being charged should haue done, or might haue bin compelled to doe, if he had bin in plaine life, after such rate of the Landes & Goods of the said Commissioner or Collector, as the party shall haue in his hands. And if the said Commissioners for causes reasonable them mouing, shall thinke it not conuenient to ioine in one certificate as is aforesaid, then the said person or persons, that shall first ioine together, or he that shall first certifie the said writing indented as is aforesaid, shall certifie all the names of the Commissioners of that Commission, whereupon such writing shall be there then to be certified, with diuision of the Hundreds, wapentakes, wards, Tithings and other places, to & among such Commissioners of the same Commission, with the names of the same Commissioners, where such separations & diuisions shall be, with the grosse summes of money, as well of & for the saide Subsidie taxed or set, of or within the saide Hundreds, wards, wapentakes, or other places to him or them diuided or assigned, that shall so certifie the saide first writing, as of & fines, amerciaments, penalties & other forfeitures, if any happen to be within the same limits, whereof the same writings shall be certified. And after such writings indented, which as is aforesaid shall be certified, and not containe in it the whole and full summes, set and taxed within the limits of the same Commission, the other Commissioners of the same, before the day of paymēt of the said Subsidies, shall certifie into the said Exchequer, by their writing or writings indented, to be made as is aforesaid, the grosse and seuerall summes, set & taxed within the places to them limited, for ech of the said Subsidies, & other fines, amerciaments, penalties and forfeitures, with the names of the Hundreds, wardes, wapentakes and other places to them assigned, or else by their said writings indented, to certifie at the same place, before the same day of payment, such reasonable causes for their excuses, why they may not make such certificat of and for the said Subsidies, fines, amerciaments & other forfeitures, growing or set by reason of the causes of their lets, or of their not certifying as is aforesaid, or else in default thereof, procelle to be made out of the Queenes Maiesties saide Exchequer, against the saide Commissioners, and euery of them, not making certificate as is aforesaid, by the discretion of the Treasurer and Barons of the said Exchequer.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that the inhabitants of the Parish of Saint Martin called

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led Stamford Baron, in the suburbes of the Borough & Towne of Stamford in the South part of the water there called Melands, which hereafter shall be contributozie to the payment of these present Subsidies, granted to the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successours, shall be assessed, rated and taxed for the same, by such Commissioners which shall be appoynted for the taring, rating and selling of the Subsidie within the Countie of Lincolne, and shall be for this time contributozie, and pay the saide Subsidies to the Collector or Collectors which shall be assigned and appointed, for the leuying and gathering of the same, with the Aldermen and Burgesles of the saide Borough and Towne of Stamford.

Provided alwayes, and be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that all and every person & persons having Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and other Hereditaments chargeable to the payment of the Subsidies granted to the Queenes Maiestie by this Acte, and also having spirituall possessions chargeable to her saide Maiestie, by the graunt made by the Cleargie of this Realme in their convocation, and over this, having substance in goods and cattels chargeable by this said Act, that then if any of the saide person or persons be hereafter charged, assessed and taxed for the said Mannors, Lands, & Tenements, and spirituall possessions, and also assessed, charged and taxed for his and their goods and cattels, that then he or they shall be onely charged by vertue of this Act, for his and their said Mannors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments and spirituall possessions, or onely for his said goods, & cattels, the best therof to be taken for the Queenes Maiestie, and not to be charged for both, or double charged for any of them: Any thing in this Act contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, that this grant of Subsidies or any thing therein contained, in any wise extende not to charge the inhabitants dwelling in Ireland, Jernesey & Garnsey, or any of them, of, for or concerning any Mannors, Landes, Tenements or other possessions, goods, cattels or other moueable substance, which the said inhabitants or dwellers or any others to their vse haue, within Ireland, Jernesey, and Garnsey, or any of them, or of, for or concerning any fees or wages, which any of the saide inhabitants or dwellers haue of the Queenes Maiestie, for their attendance and doing seruice to our Soueraigne Ladie in Irelande, Jernesey and Garnsey, or in any of them: Any thing in this present Act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, that this present Act of Subsidies ne any thing therein contained, extende to any of the English inhabitants or residents in any of the Counties of Northumberland, Cumberland,

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lande, Westmerlande, the Towne of Barwicke, the Towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, and the Bishopricke of Durham, or to any of them, of, for or concerning any Mannours, Lands, Tenements or other possessions, goods, cattels, or other moucable substance, which the same English inhabitants or dwellers, or any other to their vse, haue within the saide Counties of Northumberlande, Cumberlande, Westmerlande, or the Towne of Barwicke, the Towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, or the Bishopricke of Durham, or any of them, or of, for or concerning any fees or wages, which any of the saide English inhabitants or dwellers haue of the Queenes Maiestie, for their attendance or doing seruice to the Queenes Maiestie, for or within the said Counties of Northumberlande, Cumberlande, Westmerland, the Towne of Barwicke, the Towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, and the Bishopricke of Durham, or any of them, to or for the said taring, leuying, gathering or payment, but that the English inhabitants & residents, and euery of them of the saide Counties, Bishopricke & Townes, & euery of them, shalbe of and from the said Subsidies and euery parcell thereof onely for their Mannours, Landes, Tenements, fees, wages, goods and cattels, lying and being in the same Counties, Townes and Bishopricke, or any of them, vtterly acquitted and discharged: any thing in this present Acte before rehearsed to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that al letters patents granted by the Queenes Maiestie, or any of her most noble progenitours, to any Cities, Boroughes, or Townes within this Realme, of any manner of liberties, priuiledges or exemptions from the burde and charge of any such grauntes of Subsidies, which be at this present time in force and baileable, shall remaine good and effectuell to the sayde Cities, Boroughes and Townes hereafter, according to the purports thereof, although the inhabitants of the same, and also the said corporations, shall vpon the great and weighty considerations of the graunt abouesayd, be for this graunt charged and contributorye, in like maner, forme and sort, as other Cities, Boroughes and Townes, which be not in any wise priuiledged, but by this Acte charged.

Provided alwayes, and bee it enacted by the authority aforesayde, that no Orphan or Infant, within the age of xxi. yeeres, borne within any of the Queenes Maiesties Dominions, shalbe charged to any payment of this Subsidie, for his or her goods & cattels to him or her left or bequeathed, any thing in this Acte contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that this Act, nor any thing therein contained, shal extend to the goods or landes of any Colledge, Hall or House within the Universities of Oxforde and Cambridge, or any of them,

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them, or to the goods or lands of the Colledge of Windton, founded by Byschop Wickham, or to the goods or lands of the Colledge of Eaton next Windso: or to the lands, tenements or reuenues onely assigned or appointed for the sustentation and liuing of the pooze knightes founded in the Castle or Colledge of Windso: by our late Soueraigne Lorde King Henry the eight, or to any of the goods or cattels of the same knightes or any of them, or to the goods or lands of any common free Grammer Schoole within the Realme of Englande or Wales, or to the goods of any Reader, Schoolemaister or Scholler, or any Graduate resident or remaining for studie without fraude or couine within any of the sayd Uniuersities and Colledges, or Townes of Cambridge and Orford, or suburbes of the same, or to any of them, or to any their seruants dayly attending vpon any of them, nor to the goods of any Officer, Minister, Almshouses, or seruants belonging to any of the sayde Uniuersities, Colledges, Halls or Hostels, and dwelling and resident within the sayde Uniuersities or cyther of them, or within either of the sayde Townes of Cambridge and Orford, and the suburbes of the same, without fraude or couin, or to the goods and lands of any Hospitall Healsouiden, or spittle house, prepared and bled for the sustentation & reliefe of pooze people, Any thing in this Acte contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, that the said graunt of Subsidies or any thing therein contained, do not in any wise extende or be prejudiciall or hurtfull to any the inhabitants or residents at this present time dwelling within the five portes corporate, or to any their members incorporated, or bntied to the same five portes, or to any of the same five portes, but that the inhabitants or residents in the said five portes corporate, and their members, be and shall be, of and from the said graunt & payment of ech of the said Subsidies, and every part thereof, and only during their residence there, and no longer, clearly discharged and acquitted, any matter or whatsoever thing in this present Act had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that the said graunt of Subsidies and foure fifteenes and Cents, do not in any wise extend or be prejudiciall or hurtfull to the English inhabitants or residents at this present time within the liberties of Romney marsh, or or for any part of the said summes graunted in this present Parliament, of the said English inhabitants nowe there residents, or any of them to be taxed, set, asked, leuyed or payed, but that the said English inhabitants, and now residents of Romney Marsh asforesaide, and every of them be and shall be, of and from the said grant and payment of the said Subsidies & foure fifteenes and Cents,

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Centes, during their reslancie there, & no longer, acquitted and discharged, any matter or whatsoeuer thing in this present Acte made to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided neuerthelesse, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that if any alien or stranger borne, denizen or not denizen, & dwelling or inhabiting within this Realme of Englande, shal assigne or conuey ouer vnto any his or their child or children borne within this saide Realme of England, any his or their landes, tenements, goods or cattels, to the intent thereby to defraude the Queenes Maiestie of her said Subsidies of or for the same, that then all and euery such childe or children so being seised of any such lands or tenements, or possessed of any such goods or cattels, shall be charged and chargeable to and with the payment of double the said Subsidies for the same lands, tenements, goods and cattels, at the said rates and values as Aliens and strangers, denizens or not denizens are before limited and appoynted to pay.

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An Acte for the Queenes

*Maiesties most gracious generall
and free Pardon.*



HE Queenes most excellent
Maiestie, considering with her
selfe howe many wayes her lo-
uing and obedient Subiectes
from time to time, but especially
at this present haue declared &
shewed their duetifull affection
towards her Highnesse: And
vnderstanding that sundrie of
them, haue through the breache
of her Highnesse lawes and sta-
tutes, fallen into many daun-
gers, from which they cannot

bee freed but by her Maiesties great mercie: And conside-
ring that it doeth apperteyne vnto her Princely estate, some-
times to distribute mercie aswell as iustice: Her Maiestie
(the rather trusting that thereby her Subiectes will be mo-
ued from henceforth to endeuour themselves to liue in obe-
dience, and to obserue her lawes) hath of her mercifull in-
clination thought it conuenient, to graunt and giue vnto
her sayde louing Subiectes, a generall, free, and beneficiall
pardon, and thereby to deliuer her sayde Subiectes from the
daungers, penalties and forfeitures, wherewith they now
stand charged or chargeable so many wayes, & which they haue
fallen into, by reason of their seuerall offences, disobediences and
contempts.

And therefore her Maiestie is well pleased and contented,
that it be enacted by the authozitie of this present Parliament,
in maner and fourme following: That is to say, that all and e-
uery the said Subiects, aswell Spirituall as Tempozall of this
her Highnesse Realme of England, Wales, the Isles of Iernesey
and Garnesey, and the Towne of Barwicke, the heires, succes-
sours, executors and administrators of them and euery of them,
and all and singular bodies in any maner of wise corporated, Ci-
ties, Borowghes, Shires, Ridings, Hundreds, Lathes, Rapes,
Wapentakes, Townes, Villages, Hamlets and Tithings, and
euery of them, and the successour & successours of euery of them,
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shall be by the authoritie of this present Parliament acquitted, pardoned, released & discharged against the Queenes Maestie, her heires and successors, & euery of them, of all maner of Treasons, felonies, offences, contempts, trespasses, entries, wrongs, deceits, misdemeanours, forfeitures, penalties and summes of money, paines of death, paines corporall and pecuniarie, and generally of all other thinges, causes, quarrels, suites, iudgements and executions in this present Act hereafter not excepted nor forzeprised, which may be or can bee by her Highnesse in any wise or by any meanes pardoned, before & vnto the first day of Nouember last past, in the thirtieth yeere of her most gracious reigne, to euery or any of her saide subiects, bodie corporated, Cities, Boroughes, Shires, Ridings, Hundreds, Lathes, Rapes, wapentakes, Townes, Villages and Tythings, or any of them.

And also the Queenes Highnesse is contented, that it bee enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that her said free Pardon shall bee as good and effectuell in the lawe to euerie of her said subiects, bodie corporate, & others before rehearsed, in, for and against all thinges which be not hereafter in this present Act excepted and forzeprised, as the same Pardon should haue bene, if al offences, contempts, forfeitures, causes, matters, suites, quarrels, iudgements, executions, penalties, & all other thinges not hereafter in this Act excepted and forzeprised, had bene particularly, singularly, specially and plainly named, rehearsed & specified, & also pardoned by proper & expresse wordes and names in their kinds, natures & qualities, by words and termes therunto requisite to haue bene put in and expresse in this present Act of free pardon: And that her said subiects nor any of them, nor the heires, executors or administrators of any of them, nor of the said bodie corporate and other before named and rehearsed, nor any of them bee, nor shalbe sued, bered or inquieted in their bodie, goods, chattels, lands or tenements, nor any maner of matter, cause, contempt, misdemeanour, forfeiture, trespass, offence, or any other thing suffered, done or committed before the said first day of Nouember against her highnesse, her crowne, Dignitie, Prerogatiue, Lawes or Statutes, but onely for such matters, causes and offences as be rehearsed, mentioned or in some wise touched in the exception of this present Act hereafter mentioned to be forzeprised and excepted, and for none other, any statute or statutes, lawes, customes or vsages heretofore had, made or vsed to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And the Queenes highnesse of her bounteous liberality, by the authority of this present Parliament, graunteth & freely giueth to euery of her said subiects, & to euery of the said bodie corporate and other before rehearsed, & euery of them, all goods, chattels,

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debts, fines, issues, profits, amerciaments, forfeitures & summes of money by any of them forfeited, which to her Highnesse do or should belong or appertaine by reason of any offence, contempt, trespass, entry, misdemeano, matter, cause or quarrel done or committed by the or any of them before the said first day of November, which be not hereafter in this present Act forpysed & excepted.

And be it enacted neuerthelesse, that all graunts thereof, or of any part thereof, made by any such as haue so forfeited the same, and are hereby restored as aforesaide: and all executions thereof or of any part thereof, had against any such after such forfeiture thereof committed or made, shall be of such force and effect, as if no such forfeiture thereof had bene had or made, & of no other: The same forfeiture, or any thing before in this Acte to the contrary notwithstanding. And that all and euery the Queenes said subiectes, and all and singular bodies corporate and others before rehearsed, may by him or themselfe, or by his or their deputie or deputies, or by his or their Attourney or Attourneyes, according to the Lawes of this Realme pleade and minister this present Acte of free Pardon for his or their discharge, of and for euery thing that is by vertue of this present Acte pardoned, discharged, giuen or graunted, without any fee or other thing in any wise paying to any person or persons for writing or entrie of the iudgements, or other cause concerning such plea, writing or entrie, but onely xbi. d. to be payde to the Officer or Clarke that shall enter such Plea, matter or iudgement for the parties discharged in that behalfe, any Law, Statute, vsage or custome to the contrary notwithstanding.

And furthermore, the Queenes Highnes is contented & pleased, that it be enacted by the authority of this present Parliament, that her said free pardon by the general words, clauses & sentences before rehearsed, shall be reputed, deemed, adiudged, expounded, allowed & taken in al maner of Courts of her Highnes & els where, most beneficial and auailable to all and singular her said Subiects, bodies corporate & others before rehearsed, & to euery of them in al things not in this present Act excepted or forpysed, without any ambiguity, question, or other delay whatsoever it shall be, to be made, pleaded, objected or alledged by the Queene our Soueraigne Lady, her heires or successours, or by her or any of their generall Attourney or Attourneyes, or by any person or persons for her Highnes, or any of her heires or successours.

And furthermore it is enacted by the Queene our Soueraigne Lady, by the authority of this present Parliament, that if any Officer or Clarke of any of her Highnes Courts commonly called the Kings Bench, Chancery & Common place, or of her Exchequer, or any other Officer or Clarke of any other of her Highnes Courts

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Courts within this Realme, at any time after the last day of this present Session of Parliament, make out or write out any manner of writs, Processe, Summons or other Precepts, whereby any of the said subjects, or any of the saide bodiees corporated, or others before rehearsed, or any of them shalbe in any wise arrested, attached, distrained, summoned or otherwise vexed, inquieted or grieved in his or their bodiees, landes, tenements, goods or chattels, or in any of them, for or because of any maner of thing pardoned or discharged by vertue of this Act of free Pardon: Or if any Sherife or Escheator, or any of their deputie or deputies, or any Bailife or other Officer whatsoever, by colour of his or their office or otherwise, after the sayd last day of this present Session of Parliament, doe leuie, receiue, take or withhold of or from any person or persons any thing pardoned or discharged by this Acte, that then euery such person so offending, & thereof lawfully convicted or condemned by any sufficient testimonie, witnesse or prooofe, shall yeeld and pay for recompence thereof to the partie so grieved or offended thereby, his or their treble damages, besides all costes of the suite: and shall also forfeite & lose to the Queenes Maiestie, for euery such default, ten poundes: And neuertheles, all & singular such writs, processe & precepts so to be made, for or vpon any maner of thing pardoned or discharged by this present Acte of free Pardon, shalbe vtterly voyd, and of none effect.

Except and alwayes foreprised out of this generall and free Pardon, all and all maner of high Treasons and other offences committed or done by any person or persons against the Queenes most royall person, and all conspiracies and confederacies traitterously had, committed or done by any person or persons against the Queenes Maiesties royall person.

And also excepted all and euery maner of treasons committed or done by any person or persons in the partes beyond the seas, or in any other place out of the Queenes Dominions: and also all suites, punishments, executions, pains of death, forfeitures and penalties, for or by reason or occasion of any the treasons and offences before rehearsed.

And also excepted and foreprised out of this generall Pardon, all and euery offences of piracie and robberie done bp^d the seas, and all and euery comforting, procuring or abetting of the same offences to be had, done or committed.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all maner of voluntarie murders, petit treasons, & wilful poysonings done or committed by any person or persons, and all and euery the accessaries to the same offences or any of them, before the said offences committed.

And also excepted out of this Pardon all offences of forging & false couinterfeiting of any p^e moneys currant within this Realm:

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And also all offences of unlawful diminishing of any the said moneys by any way or meanes whatsoever, contrary to the lawes and statutes of this Realme : And also all abetting, aiding, comforting or procuring of the same offences or any of them to be committed or done.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, al Burglaries committed or done in any dwelling house or houses, & all accessaries to any the said Burglaries, before the same Burglarie committed.

And also excepted al robberies done upon or to any man or woman person in any high way or els where: And al singular accessaries of or to any such robberies before any said robbery committed.

And also excepted the felonious stealing of any Horse, Gelding or Mare, and all accessaries thereunto, before the same felony committed, and all iudgements & executions of or for the same.

And also all wilfull burnings of any house or houses, or of any barne or barnes, where in any come is.

And also excepted al Rapes, & carnal rauishments of women.

And also al rauishments & wilful taking away or marrying of any maid, widow or damosel against her wil, or without the assent or agreemēt of her parents, or of such as haue her in custody.

And also all offences of ayding, comforting, procuring or abetting of any such rauishment, wilful taking or marrying to be had, committed or done.

And also excepted all wilful escapes of any traitors or felons.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, al persons now attainted or outlawed of or for any treason, petit treason, murder, wilfull poisoning, burglarie or robbery, and all executions of and for the same.

And also excepted al offences of Inuocations, Coniurations, Witchcrafts, Sorceries, Inchantments and Charmes, and all offences of procuring, abetting or comforting of the same, & all persons now attainted or convicted of any of the said offences.

And also excepted all and euery maner of taking from the Queenes Maiestie of any goods or chattels, or the Issues, Rents, reuenues or profits of any Manours, lands, tenements or hereditaments, which were of any Traytour, Murderer, Felon, Clarke or Clarkes attainted, or fugitiues, or of any of them.

And also excepted al goods and chattels in any wise forfeited to the Queenes Maiestie by reason of any treason, petit treason, murder or felonie heretofore committed or done.

And also excepted all offences of, or in making, writing, printing or publishing, or in consenting to any making, writing, printing or publishing of any false, sedicious or slanderous booke or bookes, libell or libels in any wise against the present gouernement of this Realme in causes either ecclesiasticall or temporal,
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oꝛ against any person oꝛ persons.

And also excepted out of this Pardon all intrusions and spoile of woods, had, made oꝛ done by any person oꝛ persons, in oꝛ vpon any of the manours, landes, tenements oꝛ other hereditaments of our Soueraigne Lady the Queene, and all wastes done, committed oꝛ suffered vpon any such landes, tenements oꝛ hereditaments, and the wrongfull taking of any the rentes, Issues and profits of the same Mannours, Landes, Tenements oꝛ Hereditaments of our said Soueraigne Lady the Queene, and also all Suites, Accountes and Impetitions of and for the same.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all alienations of any landes, tenements oꝛ hereditaments without licence, & all fines, issues & profits that may oꝛ ought to grow oꝛ come to þ^e Queenes Maiestie by reason of any such alienation without licence.

And also excepted out of this Pardon all wastes committed oꝛ done in any of the Queenes wards landes, oꝛ in the wards landes of any of the Queenes Committees: And also all and euery fine and fines for the single oꝛ double value of the marriage oꝛ marriages of al & euery Ward oꝛ Wardes at any time heretofore grown to the Queenes Maiestie oꝛ any her noble Progenitours.

And also excepted al concealed Wardes, and the landes of such Wardes concealed, and all Liueries and Primer seisons, and ouster le maines that ought to be had, done oꝛ sued for the same.

And also excepted out of this general Pardon, all rauishments and wrongfull taking oꝛ withholding of any of the Queenes Wardes oꝛ Wardes landes, oꝛ the rents and profits of the same at any time commen oꝛ growen to the Queenes hands, and euery thing that by reason of any ward oꝛ Wardes landes, oꝛ for default of suing oꝛ prosecuting of any liuerie, ought to come oꝛ be to the Queenes Maiestie, and which as yet is not discharged.

And also excepted all fines that should oꝛ ought to grow to the Queenes Maiestie of any other widowes that haue married without licence.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successors, shall haue and enioy the full and whole interest, benefite, profite, and aduantage of all Wardships, Liueries, Primer seisons and ouster le maines of landes, tenements, and hereditaments, and all meane issues, rates and profits for not suing oꝛ not prosecuting of any Liuerie oꝛ ouster le mayne, as if this Act had neuer bene had oꝛ made: And that all and euery person oꝛ persons which haue tendered oꝛ ought to sue his, her, oꝛ their, oꝛ any of their Liueries oꝛ ouster le maynes, of oꝛ for any Mannours, Landes, Tenements oꝛ hereditaments, whatsoeuer they be, shall sue his, her, and their Liuerie and Liueries, and ouster le maynes out of our saide Soueraigne Lady the Queenes hands,

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hands, and shall answer and pay their fines, issues, and meane profits, for his or their manours, lands, tenements, and hereditaments, in like maner and forme to every respect, as they and every of them should or ought to have done, if this Acte had neuer bene had ne made, notwithstanding the not finding of any office or offices, or any other matter whatsoever, Any article, thing or things in this present Act of generall Pardon comprised and specified to the contrary notwithstanding.

And also excepted and soeprised out of this Pardon, all such persons as the last day of this present Session of Parliament be in prison within the Towre of London, or in the prison of the Marshalsey, or in the prison of the flete, or otherwise restrained of libertie by expresse commatindement from the Queenes Maiestie, or by the commaundement or direction of any her Maiesties priuie Counsell.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all and every such person and persons, which at any time sithence the beginning of the Queenes Maiesties reigne, haue fled out of this Realme of England, or any other the Queenes Dominions, for any offence of high Treason, petit Treason, or misprision of Treason.

And also excepted all such persons as be gone or fled out of this Realme, for any cause, contrary to the Lawes and Statutes of this Realme, without the Queenes Maiesties licence.

And also excepted all such persons as haue obtained and had licence to depart this Realme for a certaine time, and now doe abide out of the Realme without any lawfull excuse, after the time of their licence expired.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all and every concealements or wrongfull deteinements of any custome or Subsidie due to the Queenes Maiestie, and all accounts, impetitions and suites to be had, made or done for the same.

And also excepted all and singular accompts of all and every Collectors and Collectors of any Subsidie, fifteene, custome or other thing, and all accompts of every other person whatsoever, that ought to be accomptant to the Queenes Highnes, or to her most noble Father King Henry the eight, or to King Edward the sixt, or Queene Marie, or to any of them, and the heires, executors and administrators of every such person that ought to account for all things touching onely the same accounts: And all and singular arrearages of accounts, and all vntrue accounts, and all impetitions, charges of seitures, suites, demaundes and executions, which can or may be had, of or for any account or accounts, or any arrearages of the same.

And also excepted al inclosures and decails of houses of husbandry, and the conuerting or heeping of any land from tillage to pasture, made, done, committed, or permitted, contrary to the forme
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and effect of any Statute or Statutes heretofore made.

And also excepted and foreprised out of this Pardon, all and all manner of deceites & offences of all & singular moneyers & other Officers, Wynters and workemen of or in any of the Queenes Maiesties mints within this Realme or any other her Dominions, and all impettitions and punishments for the same.

And also excepted all Titles and Actions of Quare impedit, and all Homages, Reliefe and Reliefes, Harriots, Rent Seruites, Rent charges, Rent Seckes, and the arrearages of the same, not done or payed to the Queenes Highnesse.

And also excepted al conditions and covenants, and all penalties, titles and forfeitures of condition or conditions, covenant or covenants accrued or growen to the Queenes Maiestie, by reason of the breache and not perfourning of any covenant or condition whatsoever.

And also excepted all summes of money graunted to the Queenes Maiestie, or any her Noble Progenitours, by way or meane of Subsidie, Fifteene, or otherwise.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all debts which were or be due to our Soueraigne Lady the Queene, or to the most Noble King of famous memory King Henry the seventh, King Henry the eight, King Edward the sixt, or to the late Queene Mary, or to any person or persons to any of their uses, by any condemnation, Recognisance, Obligation or otherwise (other then such debtes as are due vpon any Obligation or Recognizance forfeited befoze the said first day of Nouember for non apparance in any Court or other place whatsoever, or for not keeping of the peace, or not being of good behauiour) which debtes growen or accrued vpon those causes, by this free Pardon be and shall be cleerely pardoned and discharged.

And also excepted & foreprised out of this Pardon, all and singular penalties, forfeitures & summes of money, being due or accrued to our Soueraigne Lady the Queene, by reason of any Act, Statute or Statutes: which forfeitures, penalties & summes of money be conuerted into the nature of debt, by any Iudgement, order or decree, or by the agreement of the offender or offenders.

And also excepted all forfeitures of all leases, estates, or interests of any landes, tenementes or hereditaments, holden of our Soueraigne Lady the Queenes Maiestie, by Knights seruitce, or in soccage in capite, or otherwise by Knights seruitce, made in one or seuerall assurances or leases for any terme or termes of yeres, wherupon the olde and accustomed rent or more is not reserved.

And also excepted all first frutes and Centhes at this present being due to be paid to her Maiestie, by force of any Acte or Statute, or otherwise.

And also excepted all penalties and forfeitures, whereof there

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is any good verdict in any suite given or past for the Queenes Maestie.

And also excepted all forfeitures, and other penalties & profits now due, accrued or grown, or which shal or may be due, accrue or grow to the Queenes Maestie, by reason of any offence, misdemeanour or contempt, or other act or deed, had, suffered, committed or done contrary to any Act, statute or statutes, or contrary to the common lawes of this Realme, and wherof or for the which any action, bill, plaint or information at any time within eight yeeres next before the last day of this present Session of Parliament, hath bene or shall be exhibited, commenced or sued in the Courts of Starre Chamber or Cheker Chamber, or in anye the Queenes Maesties courts at Westminster, & now is, or the said last day of this session of Parliament shall be there depending or remaining to be prosecuted, or wherof the Queenes Highnes by her bill signed or otherwise heretofore hath made any gift or assignement to any person or persons.

And also excepted out of this generall and free Pardon, all offences, contempts, disorders, couens, frauds, deceits, and misdemeanours whatsoever heretofore committed or done by any person or persons, and wherof or for the which any suite by bill, plaint or information at any time within foure yeeres next before the last day of this present Session of Parliament is or shall be commenced or exhibited in the Court of Starre Chamber at Westminster, and shalbe there the same last day of this Session of Parliament depending.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all offences of perjury, & subornation of witness, & offences of forging & counterfeiting of any false deedes, escripts or writings, & all procuring or counselling of any such counterfeiting or forging to be had or made.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all and every offence or offences touching or concerning the carrying, sending or conveying ouer the seas or out of this realme, of any gold, silver, jewels, or any coine of golde or silver, contrary to the lawes or statutes of this Realme, vnlesse it were or be by the Queenes licence.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all offences of incest, adultery, fornication, & simonie, & all misdemeanours & disturbances committed & made in any Church or Chappel in the time of common prayer, preaching or diuine seruice there bled, to the disturbance thereof, and all outlawries & prosecutions vpon the same.

And also excepted all offences, whereby any person may bee charged with the penaltie and daunger of Premunire, and of the which offence or offences any person standeth already indicted, or otherwise lawfully condemned or convicted.

And also excepted all offences whatsoever in shipping, or willingly assenting or causing to be shipped to be transported into a-
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iestie, any gunnes, ordinance, shot, or gunne metall, contrary to
the lawes or statutes of this Realme, without licence of her Ma-
iestie in that behalfe first had and obtained, and also al such as co-
uenously or by consent, or for the reliefe of such as haue offended
in or against any popular or penall statute, haue for the same of-
fence or offences exhibited any action, bill, plaint, information or
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And except also all offences in taking away, imbezeling or pur-
loining any the Ducenes Maiesties goods, money, cattels, jew-
els, armour, munition, ordinance, or other habilliments of
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And also excepted out of this Pardon all extortions, couens,
frauds, deceits, and other disorders and misdemeanors whatso-
euer heretofore committed or done by any vnderherife, in or by
reason or colour of his office: and all offences of aiding, comfort-
ing, assisting or procuring of any vnderherife, in contriuing,
doing or executing any the same extortions, exactions, couens,
frauds, deceits, disorders or misdemeanors.

And also excepted out of this Pardon all vnlawfull taking a-
way and rescusses made of any prisoner being in or vnder any ar-
rest or custodie: and all the aiders comforters and procurers
thereof.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, all issues, fines and a-
merciaments, being totted, leued, or receiued by any herife, vn-
derherife, bailife, minister or other officer, to or for the Ducenes
Maiesties vse or behoofe, before the last day of this present session
of Parliament: and all issues, fines and amerciaments, afferred,
tared, set, estreated or entred seuerally or particularly touching
or concerning any one person or mo persons toynly or seuerally,
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And also excepted all issues, fines and amerciaments retur-
ned, afferred, tared, set or entred seuerally or particularly in any
Court of Record at Westminster, at any time sithence the feast of
Saint Michael Tharchangel last past.

And yet neuertheles all other fines, as well fines pro licentia
concordandi, as others, set, tared, estreated or entred before the
said feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, and also all issues, a-
merciaments, as well reall as others, within any liberties or
without, being set, tared, estreated or entred before the said feast
of Saint Michael the Archangel, and which seuerally or parti-
cularly extend to or vnder the summe of fyre pounds and not a-
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be turned into debt or not turned into debt, and not being totted
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ther Officer vnto oꝝ foꝝ the Queenes Maiesties vse oꝝ behoofe, before the last day of this present Session of Parliament, shall be freely, cleerely and plainly pardoned and discharged against the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successors foꝝ euer, by force of this present Act of free Pardon.

And yet neuerthelesse, all estreates of such fines, issues and amerciaments, as be now pardoned by this Act, and which be already estreated forth of the Court of Exchequer, and be remaining in the handes of the Sherife, vnder Sherife oꝝ Bailife foꝝ collecting of the same fines, issues and amerciaments, shall by on the returne of the same estreates be orderly charged and deliuered by scrowes into the office of the Pipe in the Court of Exchequer, as heretofore hath bene accustomed, to the intent that thereupon order may be taken that her Maiestie may be the moze truly answered of all such fines, issues and amerciaments not by this Acte pardoned, and which any Sherife, vnder Sherife, Bailife oꝝ other Officer oꝝ minister hath receiued oꝝ ought to answer by force oꝝ colour of any such estreate, processe oꝝ precept to him oꝝ them made foꝝ the leuying thereof: And yet that notwithstanding, all and euery Sherife & Sherifes, and other accomptant vpon his oꝝ their petition oꝝ petitions to be made foꝝ the allowance of any such fines, issues and amerciaments as by this Act is pardoned, shall haue all & euery such his and their petition allowed in his & their account & accounts, without paying any fee oꝝ reward to any Officer, Clarke oꝝ other minister, foꝝ the making, entring oꝝ allowing of any such petition oꝝ petitions, any blage oꝝ custome to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

And also excepted out of this Pardon, al goods, cattels, debts, actions & suites already forfeited, oꝝ whereof any right oꝝ title is accrued oꝝ growen to ꝑ Queenes Maiestie by reason of any outlawry, & wherof ꝑ Queenes Maiestie by her highnes letters patents hath before the last day of this present session of Parliament made any grant, couenant oꝝ promise to any person oꝝ persons.

And also excepted out of this pardon all such persons, which haue committed oꝝ done any offence oꝝ offences contrary to the tenour oꝝ effect of the statute made in the 27 yeere of her Maiesties reigne, entituled, An Act against Iesuites, Seminarie priests, and other such disobedient persons, oꝝ of any part thereof: and all outlawries, proceedings, iudgements and executions by on the same offences oꝝ any of them.

And excepted also al persons which haue committed oꝝ done any offence, either contrary to the statute made in the first yeere of her Maiesties reigne, entituled, An Acte foꝝ the vniformitie of common prayer and seruice in the Church, & the administration of the Sacraments oꝝ any part thereof, oꝝ contrary to the statute made in ꝑ 23. yeere of her Maiesties reigne, entituled, An Act to retaine

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retaine the Queenes Maiesties subjects in their due obedience or of any part therof: And all outlawries, proceedings & Judgements and executions upon the same offences or any of them, for such & so long time as they shall continue disobedient or wilfully obstinat in any the same offences. And yet neuertheles whensoever the same persons, or any of them shall willingly submitte themselves in their due obedience to her Maiesty, and wil come to the Church to heare diuine seruice, and willingly refuse the said wilfull obstinacie, and conforme themselves to the saide causes of religion and doctrine, and continue in such their conformity and due obedience to her Maiestie, according as by the Lawes and statutes of this Realme they ought to do: that then and from thenceforth al and euery such person & persons, so submitting & yeelding themselves in their due obedience towarde her Maiestie, & so continuing in the same, shall forthwith be receiued and enabled by force of this Act, to haue and enioy the full benefit of this generall pardon, as largely & fully in al respects, as any other of her Maiesties good subjects haue or ought to enioy by vertue of this Act of generall pardon.

And also excepted out of this pardon, all such persons that be and remaine still attainted or condemned, and not already pardoned, of and for any rebellion, or leuying of warre, or of or for any conspiracie of any rebellion, or leuying of warre within this Realme, or in any other the Queenes Dominions.

And also excepted all false forging, or counterfaiting of any Commission or Commissions to enquire of any landes, tenements or hereditaments, and also all false forging and counterfaiting of any vnttrue certificat or retorne of any Commission or Commissions, obtained or gotten forth of any Court or Courts, to enquire of any landes, tenementes, or other things whatsoever: And all and all maner falsifying of any particular, or of any Bill or Bills signed by her Maiestie, after the engrossing thereof, and before the passing of the same vnto the great Seale.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawfull to all and euery Clarke and other Officers of the Queenes courts, to awarde & make writs of Capias yelagat. at the suite of the partie plaintiffe against such persons outlawed as be pardoned by this Acte, to the intent to compell the defendant and defendants to make answer to the plaintiffe or plaintiffes at whose suite he or they were outlawed, and that euery person so outlawed, shall sue a writte of Scire facias against the partie or parties at whose suite hee or they were so outlawed, before this pardon in that behalfe shalbe allowed to him or them that so is outlawed.

And except also out of this pardon, all offences committed or
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done by any person or persons in new buildings, deuinding of Ce-
nements, taking of Inmates, new inclosures, & other Insaun-
ces in any place within the Citie of London and suburbs of the
same, or within three miles of the said Citie, contrary to the law,
or any her Maiesties Proclamations in that behalfe made.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the authoritie of this
present Parliament, that this Acte of generall Pardon shall not
in any wise extend to any person outlawed vpon any Writte of
Capias ad satisfaciendum, vntill such tyme as the person so out-
lawed shall satisfie or otherwise agree with the partie at whose
suite the same person was so outlawed or condemned.

Provided also, and be it enacted, that neither this Acte of ge-
neral Pardon, nor any thing therein contained, shal in any wise
extende to any person, that is or shalbe put to execution, at any
time before ten daies after the end of this Session of Parliamēt.
Or to pardon or discharge any offence or misdemeano^r commit-
ted or done by any Purueyour or other taker whatsoever, in ta-
king or purueying of any prouision whatsoever for the Queens
Maiesties household, or otherwise to the Queenes Highnesse be-
hoofe, or by pretence or colour thereof, contrary vnto or against
any the Lawes or Statutes in that behalfe made or ordeined.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaide,
that neither this Acte, nor any thing therein contained shall ex-
tend to pardon or discharge any offence committed or done by any
Commissioner, Captaine or other person whatsoever, in the cor-
rupt taking or hauing of any money or other gift or reward for
chaunging, releasing, or discharging of any souldier prest or ap-
pointed to serue her Maiestie in the defence of the Realme or o-
therwise: or any offence committed or done by any against the
Ecclesiasticall estate or gouernment established in this Realme,
or any herells or schisme in religion whatsoever.

God saue the Queene.

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